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Friday, Feb. 23.
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Monday, Feb. 26.
Canton 7.15 a.m.
Haiphong 1 p.m.
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Canton 7.00 p.m.
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Ord. Feb. 27, 5.30 p.m.
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Ord. Feb. 28, 10 a.m.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Fifty-first Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Registered Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building, on Thursday, 21st March, 1940, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1939, electing Directors and Auditors and fixing their fees.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 9th March to 21st March, 1940, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.
Agents,
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1940.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held in the P. & O. Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon on Thursday, the 21st day of March, 1940, or as soon thereafter as the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Company shall have terminated, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolution as a special resolution:—

"That the Capital of the Company be increased from its present Capital of \$6,000,000 'Hong Kong currency' divided 'into 600,000 shares of \$10 each' to \$18,000,000 Hong Kong currency divided into 1,800,000 'shares of \$10 each and that such additional shares shall rank in all respects pari passu with the original Capital of the Company'."

And for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolutions, namely:—

"1. That the Directors be and they are hereby authorised 'to capitalise the sum of \$3,000,000 Hong Kong currency part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund and to allot to the Members holding shares of the Company as on the 1st day of July, 1940, 'in respect of the net amount capitalised fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent 'nominal value in the proportion of one share for every two 'shares of the Company then held by such persons respectively and that such shares so allotted shall rank for dividends as from the 1st day of July, 1940."

"2. That if, on such distribution as aforesaid, any person would be entitled to a fractional share the Directors shall, 'in lieu of issuing fractional 'Certificates, cause the whole 'share to be allotted to a person 'or persons to be named by the 'Directors and such share shall, 'at such time as the Directors 'think fit, be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the 'persons entitled to the fractional making up such share."

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HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB

TENNIS TOURNAMENT 1940

Entries close on To-morrow, 24th February, 1940, at 6 p.m.

BRITISH, FRENCH LABOUR GET TOGETHER

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuters).—A delegation of members of British Trade Unions, headed by Sir Walter Citrine, of the Trade Union Congress, have arrived here for one of the series of monthly conferences with French Trade Union leaders.

A meeting was held this afternoon and talks will be continued to-morrow.

A delegation of the British Labour Party, headed by the Rt. Hon. Mr. C. R. Attlee, has also arrived in Paris. They conferred with French socialist leaders to-day and have decided to hold regular meetings like those held by the French and British Trade Union representatives.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 26th day of February, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at To Kwa Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rent	Upset Price
1	No. 4231	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4231, Between To Kwa Wan Road, & Ho Keng Road, South West of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4193.	N. S. E. W. feet/feet/feet/feet	As per sale plan.	About 26,500	\$ 496
						\$19,575

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 26th day of February, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Tylam, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rent	Upset Price
2	No. 4232	Rural Building Lot No. 4232, Opposite Rural Building Lot No. 147, Inland Road, Tylam.	N. S. E. W. feet/feet/feet/feet	As per sale plan.	About 15,000	\$ 172
						\$ 5,750

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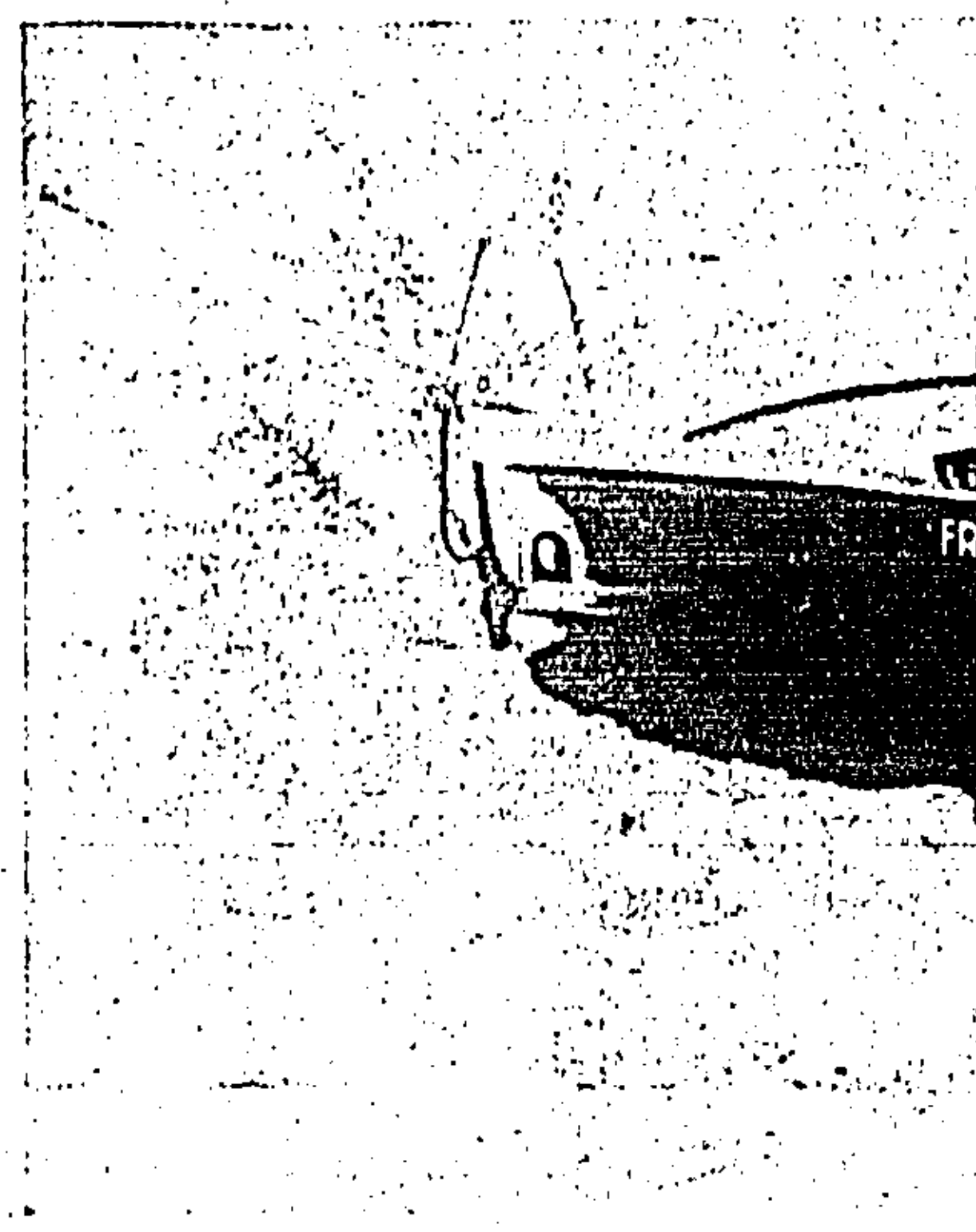
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RUBBER BARTER AGREEMENT

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuters).—The Ministry of Supply has notified the rubber market that the United States Government has agreed to extend, until the end of September, the period in which rubber furnished by the British Government under the rubber control barter agreement may be shipped, thus extending the existing date by three months.

Ice Freezes Baltic

EUROPE'S cold spell closed the Baltic Sea for the first time in many years. One of Holland's ice-breakers is shown here marooned in ice.



DUTCH CONTEMPT FOR NAZI WARFARE

AMSTERDAM.

Holland's contempt for the ruthless methods adopted by the Germans in the war at sea, as exemplified by the deliberate torpedoing of the 8,000-ton Dutch motor-ship *Arendskerck*, on Monday by a German U-boat, is expressed with remarkable vigour by the Amsterdam Telegraph.

"The sinking of the *Arendskerck*," writes the paper, "is one of those deeds of senseless violence which bring no new glory to the German Navy and have an exclusively destructive character."

"We consider that the whole plan of the German Navy to isolate England has failed in advance. Just as today can induce us to give up calling the seas so Germany will never succeed in sweeping the English off the seas."

"The number of English ships which enter and leave British ports every day is in such disproportion to the comparatively few vessels which have so far been sunk by the Germans that this fact alone shows the uselessness of Germany's sea warfare."

This does not mean that the German navy has not been responsible for great misery. Hundreds of honest seamen who have little or nothing to do with the war have had to pay with their lives for doing their duty."

Crew Abandoned

"Although our Government is silent we all still regard it as a festering wound that a German U-boat captain could find it contemptible with his conscience to leave the survivors of the *Silberdrecht*, torpedoed in the Atlantic on Nov. 16, helpless in their boat in such a bitter season with the result that 26 seamen found their death among the waves. That was not a deed of heroism of which a country can be proud."

"Perhaps he had orders to act like this, but that only makes the matter worse. Does Germany seriously think that she can starve out South Africa, which was the ship's destination? Or does she merely want to cause as much destruction among shipping as possible?"

"We do not know. But what we do know is that every nation with a naval tradition turns with disapproval from much that has been done at sea by the German navy during the last few months."

"So far as our country is concerned, however great the difficulties may be, we shall continue to sail the seas."

Nazi Admit Rumanians Are A Disappointment

AMSTERDAM.

GERMANY is beginning to admit that Rumania is likely to prove disappointing as a source of oil.

And Rumania is one of the last—if not the last—sources open to the Nazis.

The "Frankfurter Zeitung" recently frankly asks whether Germany can rely on big supplies from Rumania.

"Germany has tried to obtain oil from Rumania in exchange for industrial products like machines," says the paper.

"But Rumania is not keen on such trading methods. 'She needs credits, and Germany is unable to grant them at present. They can be granted only by financially strong countries. 'The greater part of her oil output is controlled by foreign companies,

Monte Carlo gambles on two-and-half year war



Daily Express Staff Reporter

PARIS.

THERE is a coal shortage in Monte Carlo, gambling centre of the neutral Principality of Monaco. The Principality do not possess a merchant marine of their own. So for years they chartered the British carrier, *Ulkmouth*, to keep them supplied with English coal.

But some time ago the *Ulkmouth* was sunk in the North Sea. Now the gasworks face a partial shutdown, and housewives have to be careful when they feed the fires. But that is not all.

For the first time there is a national deficit in Monaco. This year's budget is estimated at £250,000.

Against this, the Minister of Finance calculates this year's receipts will come to only £200,000. Monte Carlo casinos do not expect the usual high gambling season. They were closed altogether for two and a half months after the war started.

To offset this, national economies have been effected, and there is no national debt. The Government are not worried. It is estimated that the debt-free fund in the Treasury will take care of the deficit for at least two and a half years—and the war may be over by that time.

Like other neutrals, the Principality are feeling the weight of the war. But, unlike other neutrals, and belligerents too, Monaco levies no direct taxation.

100 Britons Interned In Germany

ABOUT 100 British subjects and 100 French citizens are interned in Germany, authorized German sources declare.

Several thousand other enemy subjects continue to live in German territory as before the war, reporting to the police once a week.

Castle Wundtburg, near Nuremberg, has been assigned as a home for the interned persons.

No Huntin' Allowed In France

THE FRENCH authorities will not allow hunting folk in Britain to send packs of hounds for the benefit of fox-hunters and bachelors in the B.E.F.

"The Ministry of the Interior are fully turning down all applications from officers and men in France who wish to continue the sport over there as means of exercise and training," a former M.F.H. said.

"It seems unlikely that we shall be able to send any hounds across the Channel after all."

A British officer writing from France in this week's "Horse and Hound" states that he has been refused permission to hunt over certain areas. He asked why.

"The first reply received," he writes, "was that the French, unlike the English, treated the war in a more serious manner, as it was their country at stake. It was pointed out that the French were determined to put all their efforts into winning the war. Therefore, shooting was prohibited, so that there should be no waste of gunpowder and shot."

Spies Betrayed Ship to Murder Planes

THE route of the Estonian steamer *Uko*, bombed and machine-gunned by Hitler's murder planes in the North Sea, was revealed to the German Air Command by spies.

This was stated by the captain of the ship on his arrival recently at the Norwegian port of Kopervik.

Nazi spies, he said, were operating in a Swedish port at which the steamer recently called. Two women were among the *Uko's* crew of 13. They were machine-gunned as they took to their boat. "The plane flew low over us until I had seen our name," the captain said.

"It then rose, attacked us with machine-guns and dropped five bombs."

The crew were adrift 16 hours before being picked up by a Norwegian steamer.

A Swedish vessel, the *Adolf Bratt*, has been mined near the Dutch island of Terschelling. Five of the crew perished.

The Danish Ministry of Trade has issued a recommendation to all ship-owners that Danish ships crossing the North Sea shall sail in company with at least one other neutral ship, not necessarily Danish.

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Two Songs by the Don Cossacks Choir.

12.38 Tchaltowsky—Francesca Da Rimini, Op. 32.—Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra of New York, conducted by John Barbirolli.
1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Reginald Dixon at the Organ.—Damening Time No. 5 and Dixon Hills No. 21.

1.15 Duke Ellington and His Orchestra in Dance Music.
1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 The London Piano-Accordion Band.
2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan—"H.M.S. Pinafore", The B. B. C. Theatre Orchestra directed by Stanford Robinson; "The Mikado", Leo Sheffeld, Henry A. Lytton and George Baker; "The Pirates of Penzance", Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra.

6.28 Closing Local Stock Quotations.
6.30 Dance Music.

7.05 London Relay—"Swing, Brothers, Swing"—With Billy Bennett.
7.30 London Relay—"The News."

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
7.03 Studio—Recital by Father O'Mara (Baritone) and A. T. Lay (Piano).—1. To the Sea, A. T. Lay on the Piano; 2. (a) A Fairy Story By The Fire, (b) O Golden Age of Innocence, Father O'Mara (Baritone) with Piano accompaniment; 3. A. D. 1000, A. T. Lay on the Piano; 4. (a) A Border Home, (b) Thanks be to God, Father O'Mara (Baritone) with Piano accompaniment.

8.30 Haydn—Symphony No. 96 in D Major.—Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Bruno Walter.

8.51 Studio—Talk on Psychology by Father G. Byrne, S. J.—"My Own Back Felture: What I Did and What I Didn't Do There."

9.03 Light Orchestra—Musette Et Tambourin, Menuet, Orchestre Symphonique de Paris; Gypsy Serenade, Tango Torero, George Boulanger and His Orchestra.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.
9.30 London Relay—"World Affairs."

9.45 B.B.C. Recording—"Monsieur Beauchamp"—Adapted for Broadcasting from Booth Tarkington's novel and the light opera libretto by Frederick Lonsdale, by Gordon McConnell. Lyrics by Adrian Ross. Music by Andre Messager. Produced by Gordon McConnell and Rex Haworth.

11.00 Close Down.

Japan's Mammoth Budget

TOKYO, Feb. 22 (Reuters).—The Lower House, at a plenary session to-day unanimously passed bills for the budget approximating Yen 10,300,000,000 for the coming financial year which dates from April 1. The bills were passed without amendment.

The budget now goes to the House of Peers where the examination of the various bills will command the attention of the nation, which so far had been concentrated on the budget interpretation in the Lower House.

Lovely Mary Haines, a happy wife and devoted mother is a member of New York's wealthy "gossip" set. One day, Sylvia Fowler, an ace-meddler, finds that Mary's husband Stephen is "romancing" Crystal Allen, a pretty salesgirl. Then Mary learns of it but for her child's sake, she takes her mother's advice, says nothing to Stephen and goes to Bermuda. But on her return she encounters Crystal at a fashion show. They quarrel and Edith, Sylvia's friend, gives the details to a gossip columnist. The publicity breaks and as a result of it and the advice of her poison-tongued friends, Mary quarrels with Stephen and goes to Reno. Now, the eve of her divorce, Stephen calls her to say he is marrying Crystal.

A YEAR had passed, a year of sorrow, of heartache and the gradual recognition of a new set of values.

Yes, Mary had learned something that pride and ego often go before a fall and that, after all, compromise has its virtues if it can bring happiness in the end.

hadn't worked. "How do you like my hair, mother."

THE telephone rang and she snatched it. "Hello. Yes? Oh, hello Stephen."

She began to tingle. "Why yes, little Mary will be at your house at seven." This was the weekly visit. "And Stephen," she went on hurriedly, glad of this opportunity to discuss a matter that had been on her mind, "there's no reason why you should bounce out of a night

gown." She nibbled at a nail. "I wonder if he is."

"If he's what?"

"Why—I don't know—happy, I guess."

It was long after midnight when she returned that night. Then, for a few moments she stood in front of the mirror and stared gracefully. All at once she turned around. Little Mary was standing there. "Hello darling."

"Hello." The child climbed into her mother's bed. "I had a bad dream Mummy. Who were you pretending to dance with?"

Mary laughed. "I wasn't exactly pretending darling. I was remembering. I was remembering. I danced with your daddy to-night."

"Oh that's fine." She closed her eyes. "Mummy, this is the only nice thing about a divorce, getting a chance to sleep with your mother sometimes. Hurry and get into bed."

A FEW moments later she was cuddled into her Mary's arms. "You know," she said drowsily, "you're a very sym-



I'll bet she heard who Crystal was talking to."

Mary jumped up electrified. Quickly, she went to the telephone and dictated a telegram to Sylvia. They must forget their differences at Reno. She was giving a dinner party at the Moon and Stars Roof for all the Reno-vites on Friday. Wouldn't Sylvia please come?

Her first move the next day was to see that Stephen knew through Little Mary that she'd be at the roof on Friday. He'd manoeuvre things to see her, she was certain. Now, all of her ideas about fair play had vanished. She was a fighting woman, out to get the man she loved.

Friday night arrived and everyone was present, including the Countess who immediately began to moan about her young husband Buck. All of the girls were gathered together in the dressing room

carrying on, eh?" With a flourish she pulled a key from her bag. "Here, I took this out of her dressing-table drawer. I don't know who he is but she meets him at the Gothic Arms every afternoon."

It was a far bigger haul than Mary had hoped for. But without a tremor, she took it then sent a message outside. A moment later, Crystal appeared. Mary nodded sweetly, and held out the key.

"Well, Mrs. Haines, there's no point in a scene, but it seems that this belongs to you."

Mary nodded patiently. "I'm only warning you my dear. I think it's very friendly of me to come to you first with it instead of Stephen."

"Listen you fool," Crystal snarled. "I like what I got and I'm

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The Women

She was pinning on a corsage of flowers and waiting for Michael Fenimore to call for her one evening when her mother walked into her boudoir.

"You know, darling," Mrs. Morehead said, looking around, "I wish you'd change the furniture here and in your bedroom. You've done the rest of the apartment over. Why do you keep this old stuff here?"

"I like it. I feel at home with it."

Her mother smiled gently. "But doesn't it remind you of things you want to forget?"

"It reminds me of things I don't want to forget." She knew what her mother was thinking. Why didn't she marry again? She'd tried to fall in love with some of her beaux, especially nice Michael, but it

club all the time because I bounce in, is there? We may as well be civilised and forget we were ever married." She laughed. "I know Stephen, it's sweet of you not to want to forget it but—what? Of course I'll dance with you sometime. To-night? Well, I usually end up at El Morocco. O.K. Mister, I'll see you there." She hung up and looked at her mother with shining eyes.

"You know, I wonder —"

"What?"

"Everybody has made such a point of telling me how happy Stephen is." She broke off. "I think I'll wear my new evening

pathetic mother. She's so silly."

"Who?"

"Crystal. I told Daddy so to-night."

"Oh you mustn't hurt your Daddy's feelings."

"Mummy, I think Daddy doesn't love her as much as you anymore. I told him that too but he said I mustn't tell you because naturally why do you care how he feels. Mummy?"

"Yes?" Mary hardly dared breathe. Could it be true? Was she really back again in Stephen's heart?

"Mother, what's anyone want with a telephone in the bathroom? Crystal has one and she was awful mad when I walked in on her while she was talking. She was talking as she saw Sylvia off in a corner affair with —"

Mary felt her skin tighten. Crystal betraying Stephen? And if he didn't care any longer—why, it might be the solution to everything. "Who was she talking to darling? Try to remember the name. Think hard, baby."

"It was — let's see. Oh yes, that's it—Baby!"

"Oh," Mary fell back. "Was that all?"

"I didn't hear anything else. She hung up when she saw me. The telephone rang again just as I left and Cousin Sylvia went in."

No Red Cross Work

Germany And Russia Stop American Efforts

New York, Feb. 22.

A Washington despatch to the New York Times says Germany has effectively barred Red Cross aid for Poland, except in the Warsaw Government general district.

This was revealed when Mr. Norman Davis, Chairman of the United States Red Cross, announced an agreement made with Germany whereby representatives would be permitted to supervise the distribution of \$400,000 worth of medicines and warm clothing from the United States by the Polish German Red Cross.

The Nazis hold that other parts of German Poland have become an integral part of the Reich and cannot be entered by American workers. The Russians have also refused any concessions permitting entrance of Red Cross supervisors in Soviet-occupied Poland.

Because of the failure to permit unrestricted deliveries of Red Cross supplies the feeling is stated to be growing in Washington that the Nazis are eliminating any Polish capable of leadership.—Reuter Bulletin.

ATTACK BY GOERING
Criticises Belgians For Buying U.S. Ships

London, Feb. 22.
The National Zeitung of Essen, Marshal Goering's mouthpiece, makes attacks on Belgium because a Belgian company has purchased eight

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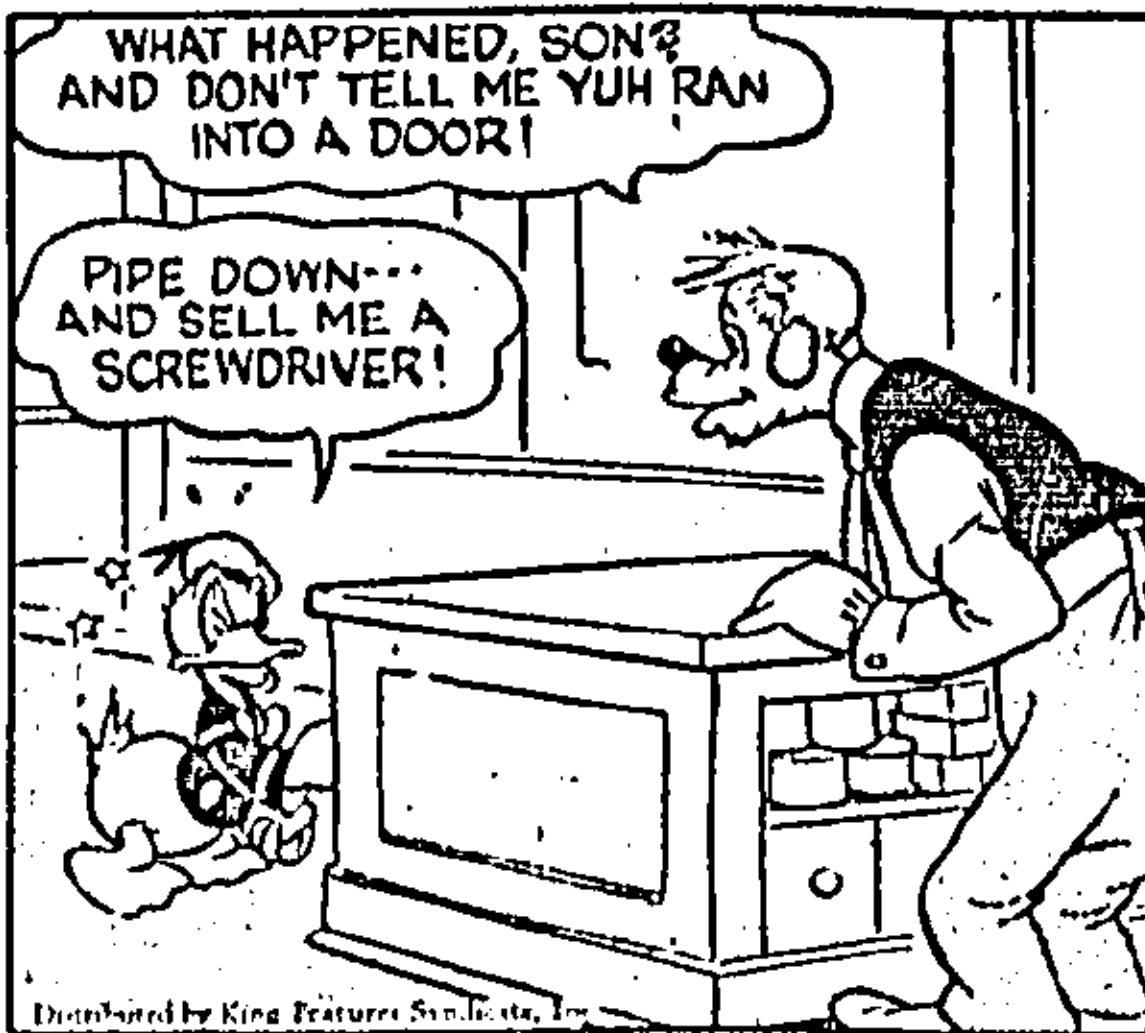
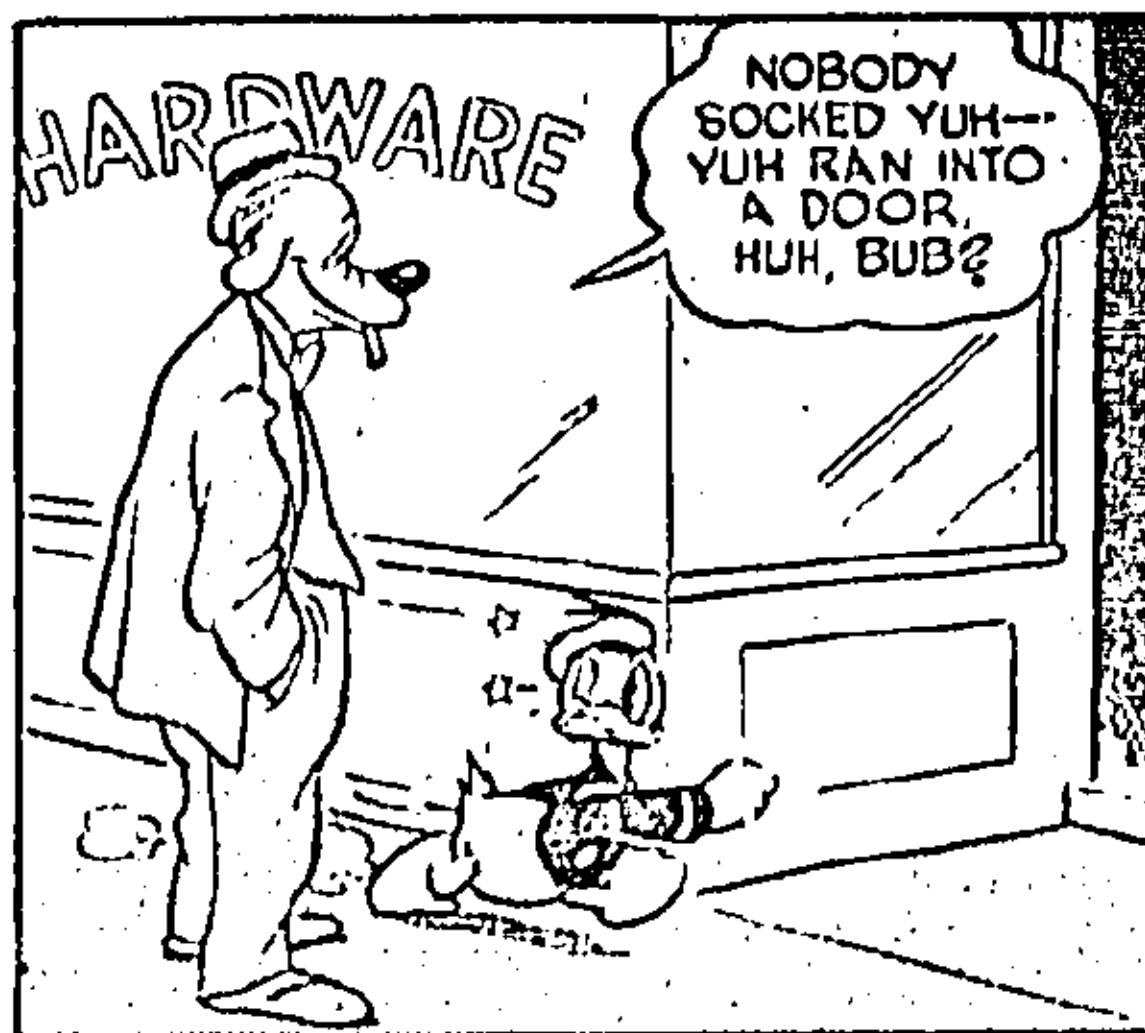
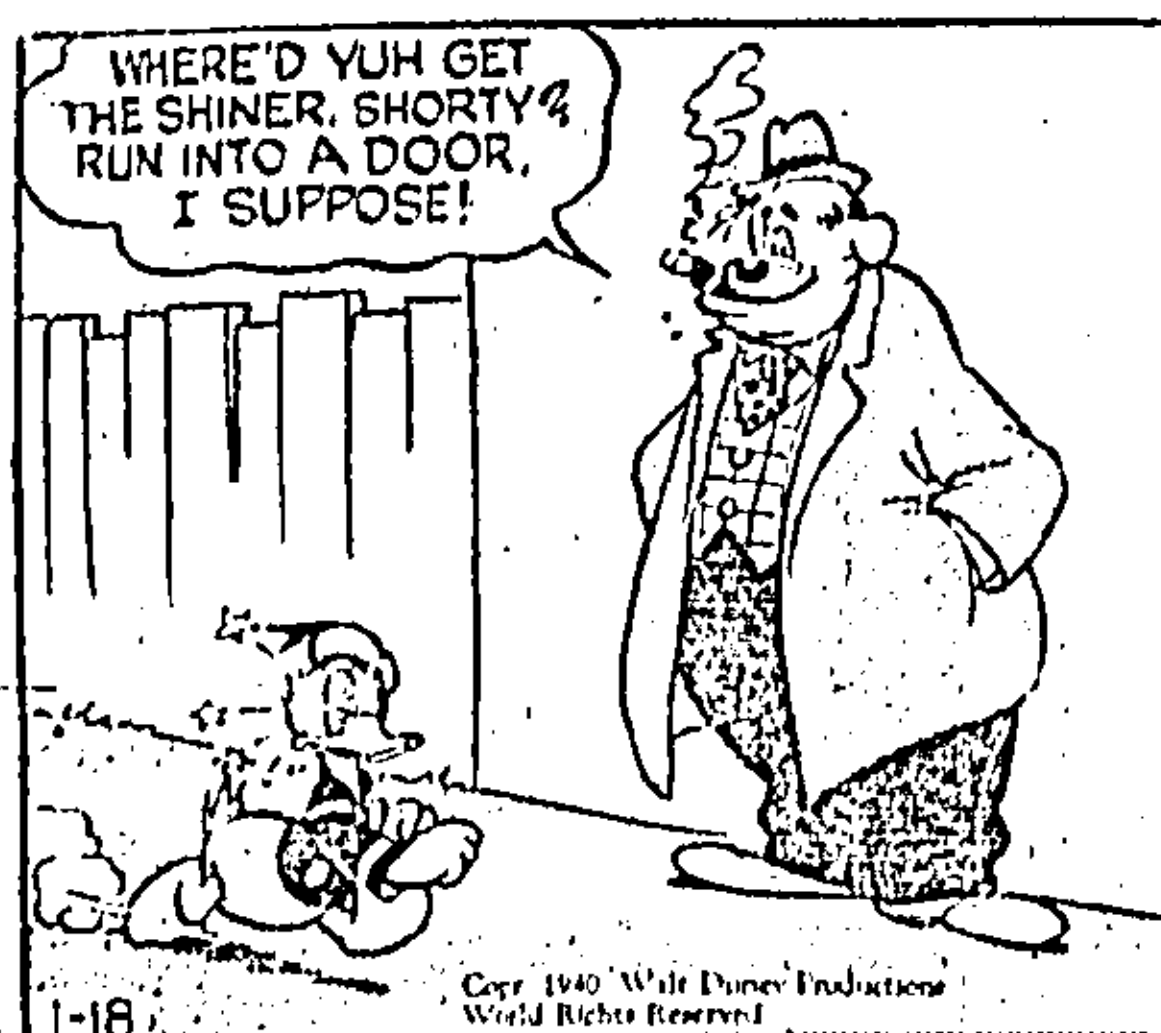
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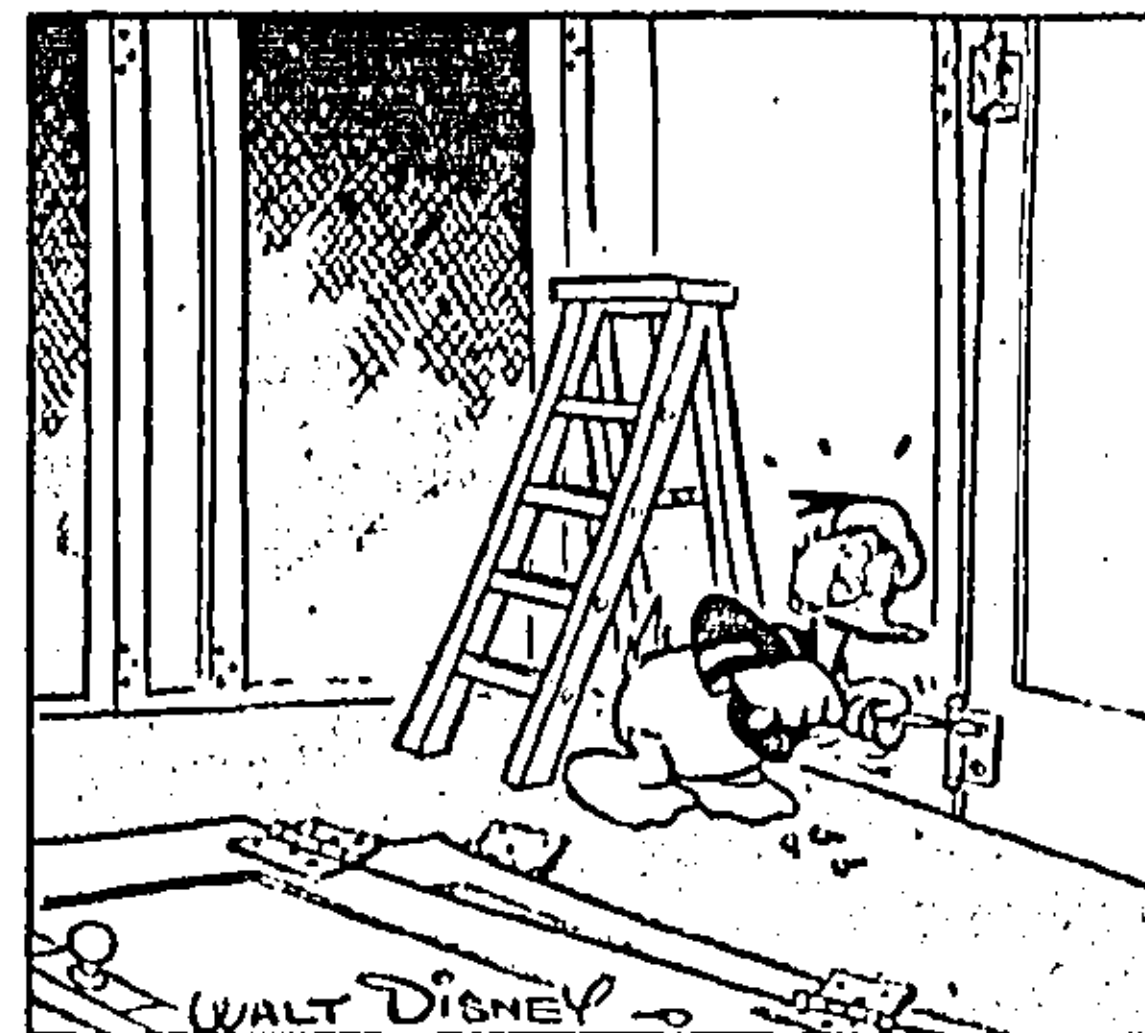
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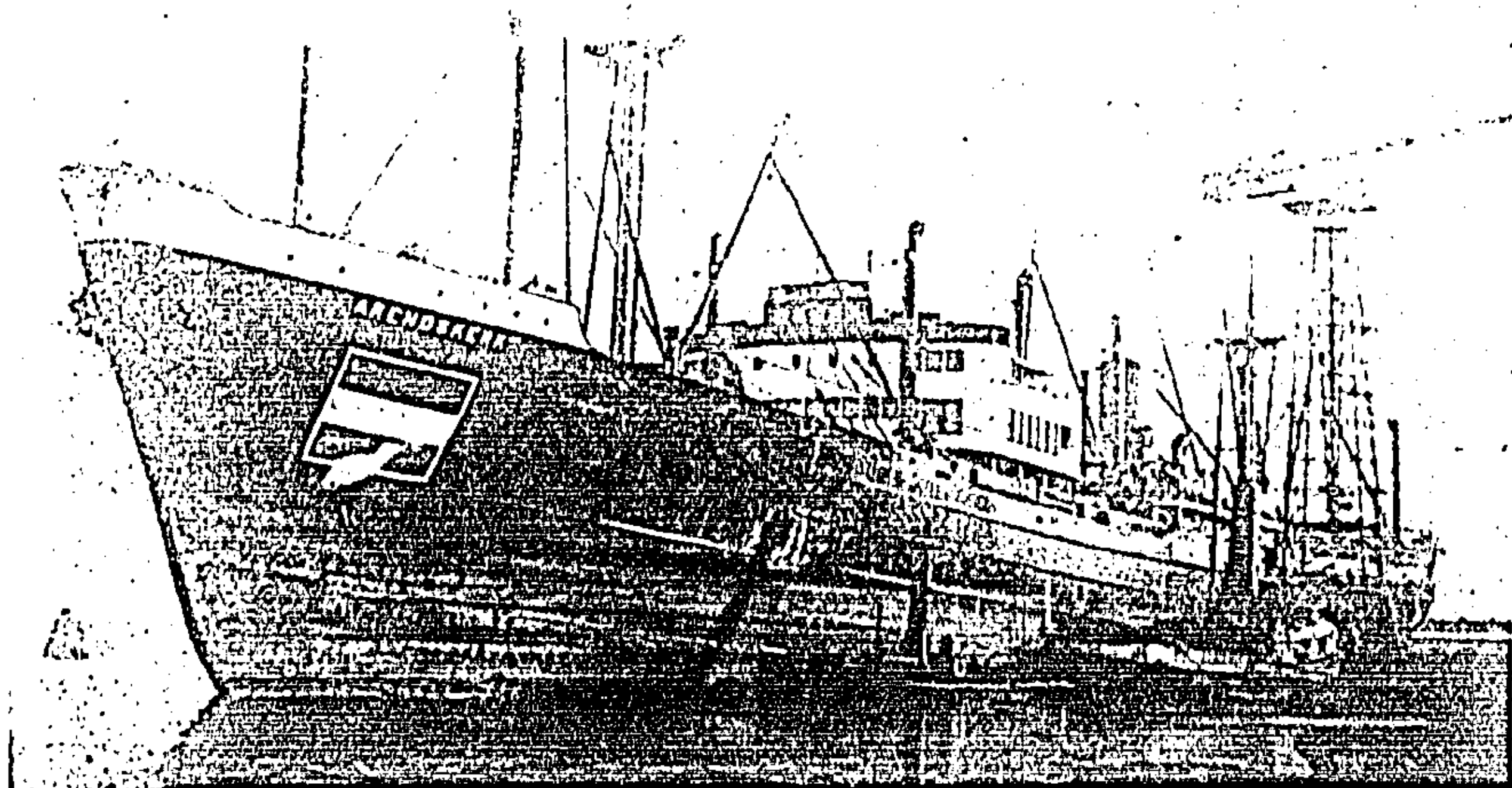
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NEUTRAL FLAGS MEAN NOTHING TO THE NAZIS



THE DUTCH motorship Arendskerck, showing the bow clearly painted with the Dutch colours. The picture was taken just before she left a Dutch port on the fatal trip, in which she was sunk: Germany's contempt for the neutrals is exemplified in the torpedoping of this ship.—Dornier.

[Enemy aircraft were active off our coasts during the day, attempting to carry out reconnaissances. Precautionary measures were taken and active defences put into operation, including anti-aircraft guns. An enemy aircraft was forced down. It was a Dornier flying-boat. —Official Bulletin.]

And here is the story of the fight:—

Two aircraft of the Royal Air Force Coastal Command recently engaged in battle two big twin-engined German Dornier 18 flying-boats. One enemy machine was destroyed and the second driven off with no loss to the British.

Flying in formation on reconnaissance patrol, one of the two British aircraft sighted a German flying-boat. The British aircraft warned its companion, and the two formed up for attack. Then in turn they dived on the Dornier, getting in bursts of gunfire on the enemy's engines and fuselage. The Dornier made a steep turn so as to bring both front and rear guns into action, the German gunner succeeding in getting home a shot on one British attacker, but without effect.

The two British aircraft also turned, and climbed into position for further attacks. One dived head on to the enemy, landing a burst of fire into his starboard wing. The other followed up with a steep dive from behind, firing continuously until within a few yards of the Dornier and raking it at pointblank range. Whilst the enemy repeated his steep-turn manoeuvre, the first British attacker climbed above him and dived again from another quarter, getting in a burst of fire on the cockpit before pulling out into a climbing turn. The second British aircraft then attacked again, landing bursts of gunfire into both the engines of the German, but receiving in return another bullet in the rear part of the fuselage.

End Of A Dornier

With blue smoke streaming from its engines the Dornier, out of control, dived into the sea. One of the British aircraft then returned to its base to investigate any damage due to the hits it had received. The second British aircraft stayed to watch the end of the enemy, which heeled over and sank after the crew had taken to their dinghy.

At this point a second Dornier was sighted. Again this was below the British aircraft, which immediately dived to the attack, with the sun behind it. Both the British pilot and his rear gunner fired bursts, hitting the enemy's engines and fuselage. This second Dornier attempted defensive tactics similar to those of the first, turning steeply to meet the

Nazi 'Terror' Ultimatum Angers Dutch

WITH brutal swiftness Nazi Germany has made good her threat to take "active measures" against the Dutch if they refused to knuckle under to demands for a pro-German "neutrality."

"Germany, fighting for her existence, does not hesitate to regard the attitude of passive neutrality of certain countries as deliberate assistance to the enemy," said the Nazi spokesman in Berlin.

Shortly afterwards, the 8,000-ton Dutch motor-ship Tjandoen was torpedoed in the Channel and several of her crew of 48 are missing.

A wave of horror swept through Holland when the news of the sinking became known. But so far from being intimidated by the German threats, the Dutch showed more determination than ever to resist them.

Only a few hours after she had rescued 34 survivors of the Tjandoen, the Belgian steamer Louis Shield (6,000 tons) ran ashore in a gale near Start Point. Heavy seas battered her as she lay on the eastern end of the beach, listing heavily and completely at the mercy of the storm. Eight men who were lost when the Washington (209 tons), an auxiliary trawler, was mined off the coast are thought to be the first victims of the mines dropped from the air by Nazis earlier in the day.

NO EARLY COLLAPSE OF HITLER

"I DO not believe in an early collapse of Germany. It is a sound maxim to be prepared for the worst."

That advice was given by Major-General Sir Frederick Maurice, president of the British Legion, in a message to the annual conference of the Metropolitan Area Women's Section of the Legion in London.

"We have not really begun to feel the pinch yet, but it would be a foolish and a useless optimism to suppose that the pinch will not come," he wrote.

"We have won the first round, have still tremendous resources to put into the field, and can therefore regard the result with complete confidence—but not with a confidence that makes us lax or selfish."

"There may be many more rounds besides the first. All our available effort will be needed. Sir Frederick asked women to economise. He declared it had been said with some truth that what an English household wasted would feed a French family."

Successive diving attacks of its adversary. After a number of bursts of gunfire had been seen to hit the German, both aircraft entered the clouds, where the enemy made good his escape.

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By STUART FLETCHER

BERNARD SHAW wants a notice up in every room at the Royal Academy announcing that any coloured picture there can be bought for £5, and any plain picture

for £2.

He says that if the Red Cross (on whose behalf the exhibition is being held) is to make any money out of it, prices must be drastically reduced. "The Academy," in his opinion, "must abandon the tradition that artists must price their works in tens, hundreds and thousands of guineas."

Among the artists exhibiting are Gerald Brockhurst and Augustus John, both of whom charge 1,000 guineas for commissioned portraits. I told some of their fellow-exhibitors about Shaw's idea of salesmanship yesterday. This is what they said:

Can't He Add?

C. W. R. Nevinston: "What a silly old gentleman! Can't he add? A frame alone costs £5. What about paint and canvas?"

Colin Colahan, who has just completed a portrait of Shaw: "If pictures came down in price people could be encouraged to buy them as they buy books and records—to look at and hear when they feel like it. At present they pay so much that they feel they have got to hang a picture on the wall, and have the wretched thing staring at them for the rest of their lives, to get their money's worth."

Sir Edwin Lutyens, President of the Royal Academy, told me that some scheme for a reduction in prices was under consideration. Recently he sold one of his own sketches at a village fete for five shillings.

Duke Of Kent's Racehorses

Melbourne.

The three horses, Dhool, Moon Ray, and Greenwich, which were presented to the Duke of Kent after his appointment as Governor-General of Australia, and were sent to be raced by him, have been sold.

The Duke did not take up his appointment owing to the war, but the horses were already on their way to Melbourne.

Pigeon-Killing Days For Britain

Nation-wide shoots to kill all wood-pigeons in Britain are planned, together, by Whitehall, the farmers and the forestry experts. The pigeons come in thousands from Scandinavia annually, and are multiplying rapidly. Greedy birds, they will eat almost everything a farmer grows; in a recent test 1,200 seeds of corn were found in one bird's crop.

Heil!— Hier ist Sandy

SANDY the Synthetic Scot is the latest acquisition of the German radio.

I understand from an exclusive source that Hamburg station have recently engaged a former Swiss actor who toured in vaudeville under the stage name of Jimmie Stuart.

He speaks English with an "ersatz" Edinburgh accent, and is believed to be taking the place of the former English speaker, Prince Orloff, a White Russian, who has left Germany, fearing the consequences of the Soviet pact.

Sandy's job, it is thought, will be to try to win over Scots workers on Clydeside and elsewhere with bulletins in synthetic dialect.

Other English speakers—possibly three or four of them—will also relieve Haw-Haw in the near future, I understand.

BOWL OF RICE MOVE

Chinese Resident's Plan For Relief

At yesterday's meeting of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce the Secretary announced that a resident, Mr. Pang Tso-chon, had suggested that Hongkong should follow the example of Chinese in America in organising a Bowl of Rice movement to secure funds for the relief of Chinese and British refugees in the war zone.

Mr. Pang has also written to the Wah Kiu Yat Po, outlining his scheme in which he hopes to secure \$2,000,000 for relief.

Shaw Film Producer Now British

GABRIEL PASCAL, the Hungarian who persuaded Bernard Shaw to allow him to film "Pygmalion," has become a naturalised Englishman.

"Pygmalion" had its share in making British film history.

It cost less than £80,000—partly because Mr. Shaw was very accommodating about his fees. In America, so far, it has taken over £300,000. In Britain the returns have been £240,000.

When he secured the rights from Mr. Shaw, Pascal confessed frankly that he had no money. Then he set about raising funds where he could.

"Major Barbara"

Now Pascal is at work on another Shaw subject, "Major Barbara."

The great author has written a new scene in which the treatment of the armaments question is given a topical significance.

Wendy Hiller, the Eliza of "Pygmalion," plays the Salvation Army officer of the title, and Dame Sybil Thorneycroft, who was Major Barbara in the 1929 revival, comes into the film as another Salvation Army character.

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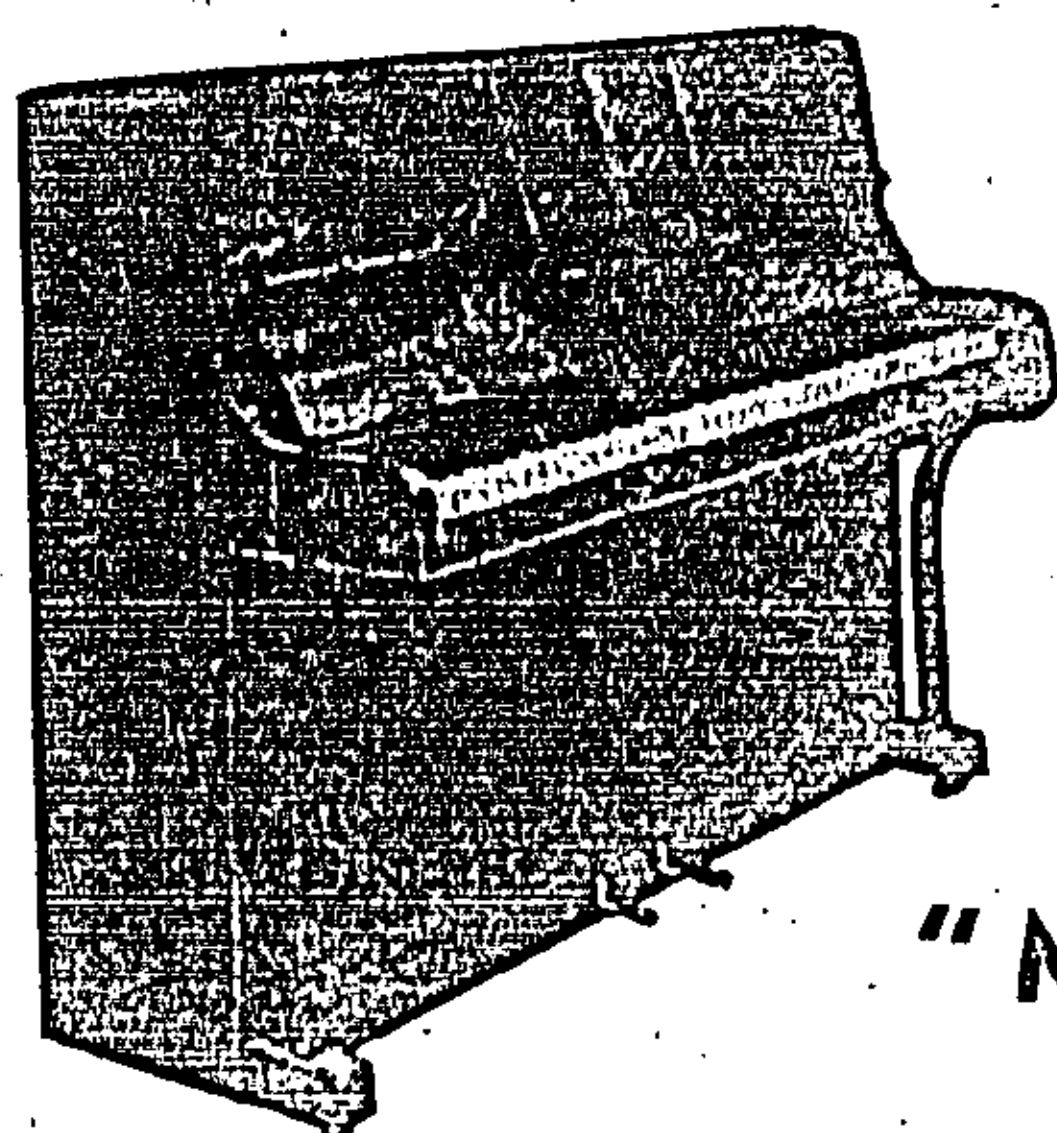
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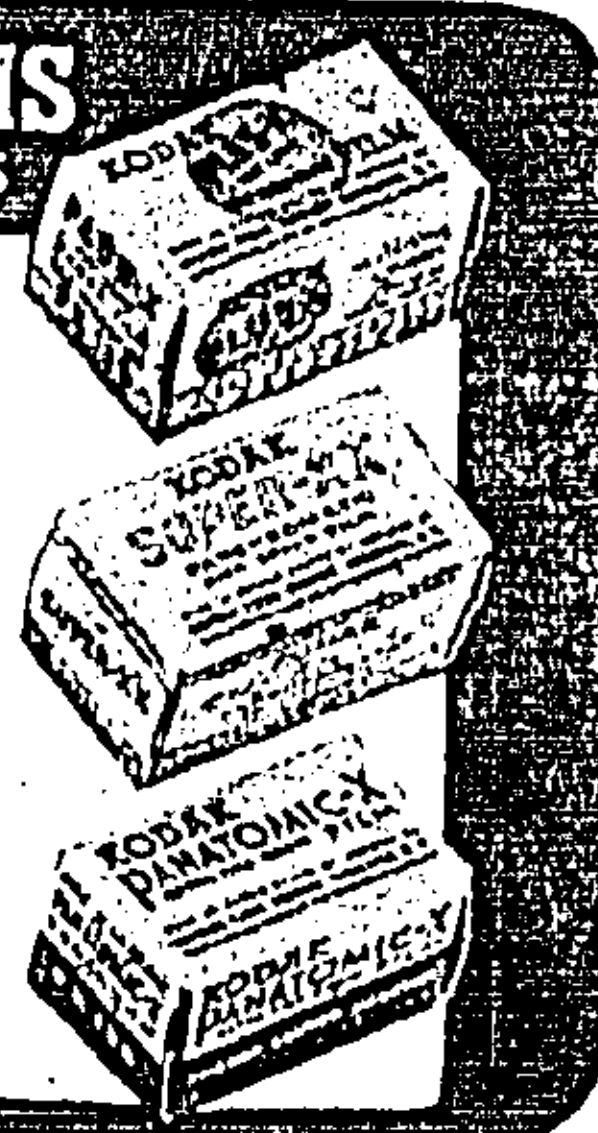
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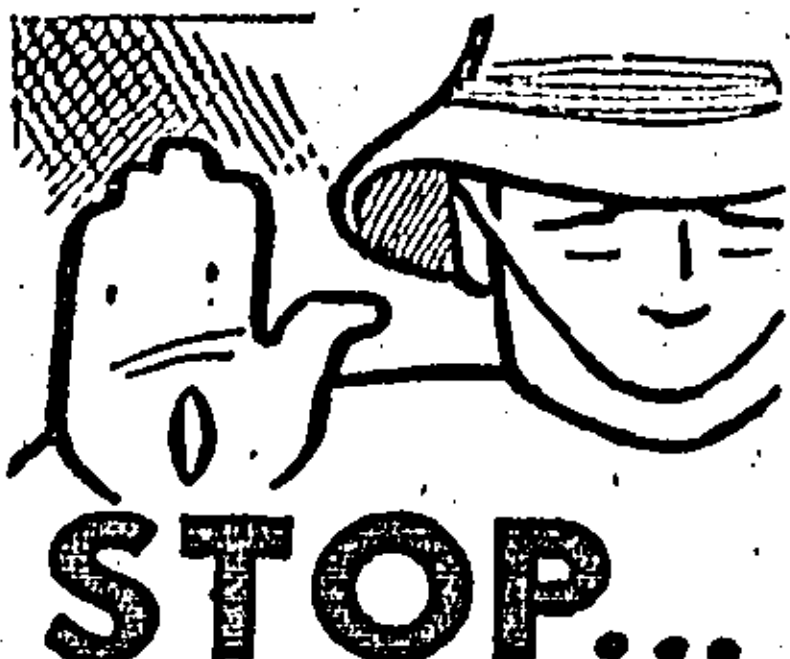
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Aid To Finland

John Bull is not beating his breast and shouting challenges at Joseph Stalin, but in giving vital aid to the Finns he is risking real trouble with the Soviet.

So too are the French and the Swedes, but in both Moscow and Berlin it is Britain which is especially singled out for threats. This aid is going to Finland as part of the League of Nations movement to help her resist aggression, but Russia knows the arms and planes come from London and Paris, not Geneva.

Reports the last few days have shown a considerable amount of help going to Finland from Britain and France.

Right at the start Britain sent between twenty and thirty fighting planes. France has shipped thirty of her newest planes and in addition, anti-tank guns and ammunition.

Britain is sending a second and much larger shipment of planes and dipping into much-needed stores of anti-aircraft equipment and gasoline to help the Finns. Sweden is sending volunteers and arms, and affording transit for the Allied supplies.

Those who have convinced themselves that nation are wholly selfish in anything they do may try to say that helping the Finns is only self-protection.

Undoubtedly for all the nations which cherish freedom and order interests as well as ideals are involved in Finland's gallant stand. That is true even for America. But let us acknowledge that much of the effort in every country to help the Finns springs from unselfish admiration for courage and decency.

Surely in the generosity which is providing aid there should be room for the appreciation of good motives. Certainly Americans can see that they risk little compared with the Allies.

Britain and France might easily say, "Sorry; but one war at a time is enough." Not only are they facing the possibility of drawing Russia's attack; they can ill afford to give up any war supplies.

They are straining to get planes for their own defence. They do not know what they may need should Germany open up full force in the Spring. Every bit of assistance they give the Finns is a real sacrifice. Let us pay tribute to it as to the widow's mite—though it is no mite in Finnish eyes, or Russian.



BOTH: "Caught you redhanded, you old rascal!"

The sailor's war is developing

GET READY for your OLD PALS

BY COMMANDER H. PURSEY, R.N.

BOTH Germany's imports and her exports are now liable to seizure by the French and British navies. The Allies' two-way blockade of Germany is well under way.

How is this new stranglehold on German trade being operated?

It will add to the already heavy task of those responsible for the Allies' close watch on all European overseas trade.

These sentinels are now more watchful than ever at the gateways of the sea routes—the British at the Orkney Islands, Dover Straits, Gibraltar, Malta and Port Said, and the French at Dunkirk, Le Havre, Marseilles and Oran.

Neutrals engaged in bona-fide non-enemy trade can reduce to a minimum the inconvenience to their ships by two methods:—

(1) by sending on copies of the manifest of the cargo to the Ministry of Economic Warfare in advance of the ship, or

(2) by declaring the cargo to a British consular authority in the neutral country and obtaining a navicert.

This is equivalent to a commercial passport which carries genuine neutral goods through the control stations with the minimum formalities.

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Though certain neutrals may complain about what they consider interference with their legitimate trade, the method of examination and Prize Court, which has caused no damage to a single ship or person, to the German "sink at sight" policy and its loss of innocent women and children.

Under this policy, Germany in the Great War destroyed 1,700 neutral ships, often with no warning, and over 2,000 lives.

The most important part of the blockade is the interception of ships at sea, and the most hazardous task is that carried out by our Northern Patrol in that large, tempestuous area of some 200,000 square miles, bounded by the 470 miles from Scotland to Norway and the 400 miles between Scotland and Iceland.

Pursuing zigzag courses to reduce the chances of being torpedoed by submarines, the patrol of cruisers and armed merchant cruisers steam in a line some 30 miles apart—the visible distance from the crow's nest of each ship being about 15 miles in fine weather.

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It was a unit of the Northern Patrol which in the Great War fought a classic duel with the first raider to be discovered attempting to run the gauntlet of the blockade.

The R.M.S. Alcantara, on February 29, 1919, sighted a strange ship and pursued her, the crew being ordered to action stations as a precaution. Flying Norwegian colours, the stranger claimed to be the s.s. Tena from South America with a cargo of coffee.

Suddenly the Tena's ensign staff dropped, her steering box opened to reveal a gun, flaps on her sides fell to unmask other guns, and she opened fire.

Realising she was a disguised German raider the Alcantara immediately returned fire, and though her steering gear was disabled, hotly engaged the Tena in a duel that lasted for a quarter of an hour.

By this time the Tena, repeatedly

hit, was badly on fire and almost invisible in the clouds of smoke. She ceased fire and "abandon ship" having been ordered, the survivors took to the boats.

By now, the Alcantara had a heavy list, and had to cease fire. As she was obviously sinking, her captain also gave the order "abandon ship," and in a short while she turned over on her beam ends and sank.

Thus, two peaceful liners fitted out as naval auxiliary vessels literally fought themselves to a finish. Other British ships came on the scene and rescued the survivors.

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The courage and devotion to duty of the crews of the Alcantara and Rawalpindi are typical of those who man the Northern Patrol. Their work, as the late Lord Balfour, a First Lord of the Admiralty, said, was "more continuous, more important and more successful than that of any other branch of His Majesty's naval forces."

The new measures against Germany's exports—on top of three months' intensive blockade of her imports—are bound to have a tremendous influence on the Nazis' power to carry on the war. German overseas export trade should now be almost entirely cut off.

In the Great War the blockade reduced Germany's foreign trade from £1,180,000,000 in 1913 to £169,000,000 in 1918—a mere one-seventh of its original volume.

Last year the total value of Germany's overseas exports was about £100,000,000. During war she will naturally divert as much of those exports as possible to neighbouring countries, and this will reduce her normal seaborne exports.

Nevertheless, it is estimated that she will lose £45,000,000 as the result of the Allied blockade.

YAMPOLSKY, Quovadis, Costello and Zorn—they'll be swinging a kilt down Piccadilly soon. For in spite of their names, they will be among the Seaforth Highlanders of Canada who will shortly be leaving for England with the first overseas division from the Dominion.

Of course, there are all kinds of Macs, from MacAdam to McVeigh, in this regiment. But then you would expect Macs—particularly exiled Macs—to join a Highland unit. And you might expect them to want to fight for the "Old Country."

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But it's Yampolsky, Quovadis, Costello and Zorn who represent the spirit of that great part of Canada which is made up of so many different European peoples.

Besides Yampolsky, Quovadis, Costello and Zorn, there are Smith, Archambeault, Brown and Legault. For the first overseas division is entirely representative of all the Canadas, upper and lower, English and French.

It includes smart lads from Vancouver Island, where the Pacific lads, gunners from Moose Jaw on the rolling prairies, riflemen from St. Jean in old French Quebec, and engineers from Halifax on the Atlantic seaboard.

But they will have some tough nursemaids to watch over them, for in their Arctic outposts, the

famous Royal Canadian Mounted Police are packing their scarlet coats in moth balls to join the first division.

For every Canadian soldier receives six shillings a day, besides £8 a month separation allowance for his wife, and £3 a month for each child.

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Out of the backwoods the frontiersmen are coming down to the big cities. Harry Hooper, just from the wilds of the Cariboo, looked as big as a bear in his hand-sewn moose-skin suit with its beaver tail trimmings, and moved as silently as any in his moose-skin shoes.

"Let me at 'em," he roared at me in a voice that would have shaken the Rockies. "I'm so tough they'd have to muzzle me to give a grizzly a chance."

(But Harry Hooper wasn't so tough when he talked about his friends—his horses and his dogs—which he had to shoot before leaving to enlist.)

They hadn't fitted "Tex" Lebere with a uniform, and he still wore his ten-gallon hat as he lounged on the rifle range. When it came to his turn to shoot, he missed the target completely at 100 and 200 yards, but clipped the bull at 500 yards. His fellow soldiers couldn't understand it.

"Wal, it's this n-ways, fellahs," said "Tex," giving his trousers a hitch. "Back in Texas we jest throw stones at anything 100 or 200 yards away."

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GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"If you had manners, Solma, you'd stop interrupting me with your troubles while I'm telling you mine!"

Like Highlanders Yampolsky, Quovadis, Costello and Zorn, most Canadians join Scottish regiments from choice rather than necessity. It's the uniform that gets them.

So when the Canadian Army adopted the new British over-all battle-dress I went down to the Seaforth Armouries at Vancouver. In the great hall I bumped into a tall Highlander. His kilts hung in smart pleats, his knees were not too hony, and his calves under the check stockings were shapely.

"What do you think of this new uniform?" I asked him.

From a haughty, far-away look of a warrior thinking of battlefields overseas his expression changed to one of worried bewilderment.

"Listen, bud," the Highlander said, speaking in broad Gaelic accent. "We don't have to go traipsing around in dem garage men's suits, do we?"

"Say, bud," he went on, "a Highland regiment can't parade in those monkey-ducks. Why, we'd look like the bollormen's union on a picnic."

As I left, he followed me with pleading eyes:

Peter Stursberg.

London Will Cheer Exeter, Ajax Heroes

March Through Streets To Guildhall

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The march of officers and men of the cruisers, Ajax and Exeter, through the city to the Guildhall to-morrow will afford Londoners the first opportunity of greeting members of the fighting services whose gallantry has earned them universal glory. Seven hundred and sixty members of the company of the two cruisers will march about 10 a.m. They will proceed to the Horse Guards parade for inspection and then go in a procession along Victoria Embankment to the Guildhall, where they will be entertained at luncheon by the Lord Mayor, Sir William Coxon, and the City Corporation.

Mr. Churchill To Speak

The Lord Mayor will propose the principal toast, to which Captain Woodhouse, of the Ajax, and Captain Bell, of the Exeter, will respond. Mr. Winston Churchill, the First Lord of the Admiralty will also speak.

The total companies of the two ships numbered total 1,150, so a draw was resorted to for the selection of the fortunate 760.

CENSORSHIP INFURIATES

→ FROM PAGE ONE

2,000 pounds of Clipper mail at Bermuda on January 18. The Pan American Air Lines have turned over the whole question of British censorship of United States mails to the State Department.

Newspapers feature sensational versions of the incident. One report states that the Captain of the Clipper, Capt. Charles A. Lorber, refused to permit examination of the mail and ordered the censors off the Clipper after a heated argument.

The latter alleged a party of Marines in a nearby launch who, with bayonets affixed to their rifles, boarded the Clipper. Captain Lorber then submitted to the seizure and demanded a receipt. He then wrote a formal protest to the British Consul.

London Vice-Consul

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—LONDON, Feb. 22 (UP).—It is officially stated that there is no knowledge of reports that British Marines, at bayonet point, seized United States Clipper mail at Bermuda on January 18.

The Foreign Office spokesman states that there are no reports of such an incident. No protests have been received from the United States.

Chief Censor's Views

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—DELMUDA, Feb. 22 (UP).—Speaking with governmental authority, the Chief Censor, Lieutenant Colonel R. Swire, said that newspaper versions of the Clipper incident were "utter nonsense."

"The request to hand over the mail was made to the Captain of the Clipper by an unarmed officer ashore at the air base and there were no armed men in the vicinity."

"Captain Lorber made a formal protest, as he was duty-bound to do, but thereafter he put no obstacle in the way of the censorship officials who waited while the protest was put into writing before boarding the plane."

He added that the relations between the censorship officials and the officials of the Pan Air Lines has always been "most harmonious."

"High-Handed Procedure"

Senator Pittman, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, declared that Britain had made "excessive and very foolish use" of her right as a belligerent to censor American mail. He said that there was no doubt that Britain had the right to examine for contraband all mail aboard the Clipper.

Senator Clark, attacking "the high-handed procedure" secured the unanimous consent of the Senate for insertion in the records of the newspaper account of the alleged Bermuda incident.

Big Spy Plot Unearthed

Dutch Police Arrest Six People

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—With the arrest of six persons, including one German, at Groningen, North Holland, the Dutch Police are stated to have unearthed an extensive espionage plot having branches in several parts of Holland.

Police investigations followed the attempted escape of two foreign soldiers from internment. Enquiries are still proceeding.

74,500 REFUGEES IN ENGLAND

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—It is officially estimated that 74,500 refugees from Germany, Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland are now in the United Kingdom, stated Mr. R. A. Butler, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in a written reply to a question put forward in the House of Commons.

He added that it is unofficially estimated that there are about 42,000 such refugees in France, 20,000 in Belgium and 23,000 in the Netherlands.

The Empire's Unceasing War Effort

Encouraging Reports

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Reports of increased war effort continue to come from all parts of the Empire. In Southern Rhodesia yesterday, the acting Minister for Defence and Air said that three complete air training schools are to be established in that colony.

When Mr. R. G. Casey, Australia's first Minister to Washington, arrived there on Wednesday he said that Australia had recently purchased 100 planes as part of the programme of the 2,500 planes which Australia intends to contribute to the Empire.

Buying 500 Planes

In Canada, the War Supply Board has approved the purchase of 500 new planes with spares at the cost of £1,500,000.

Mr. Mackenzie King announces in connection with the second Canadian Division for overseas that already 70,000 men are under arms in Canada's active service forces, 9,000 men in the air force and 6,000 men in the navy.

This number will be increased by tens of thousands.

Canada's air force co-operation squadron will soon be joining the first Canadian Division overseas.

The Canadian Finance Minister announced that the war will cost Canada £125,000,000 for the year ending next month — £31,000,000 more than was originally estimated.

New Explosion At Waltham

Windows Shaken Over A Wide Area

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—LONDON, Feb. 22 (UP).—Three were injured to-day in another explosion at the Royal gunpowder factory at Waltham Abbey.

The explosion shook doors and windows over a large area. It is reported to have been due to the detonation of waste explosives.

Two previous explosions took place recently in the same plant, the most serious of which was on January 18. Officials have denied that the explosions were due to sabotage.

GERMANS ADOPT SPANISH METHOD

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—A German patrol which tried to raid a French outpost buried sticks of dynamite just as the Asturian miners did in the Spanish civil war.

The French were occupying three houses on the edge of a deserted village. Hand grenades as well as dynamite were thrown at the French and one of the houses was set on fire. The attackers were beaten off before they could approach within effective throwing distance.

Franco Releases Americans

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—MADRID, Feb. 22 (UP).—The Franco government has released the last eight Americans held as prisoners of war.

They include the well-known flier, Harold Dahl, who was once condemned to death.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 4.30 p.m., yesterday, says:

General enquiries led to the market becoming comparatively more active with a few stocks showing good advances. This was noticeable particularly with Electric, which opening with shares offering at 558 switched suddenly to buyers taking all offered at that price. Later bids were increased to \$61 with sales at intervening rates. Later in the day it became known this Company is increasing its Capital and as a start will issue one new share on bonus terms—for each two held. Banks in sympathy with the rise in London changed hands at \$1,450, closing sellers at \$1,465.

Buyers
Canton Ins. \$215
Union Ins. \$470
Fire Ins. \$182
Docks \$22.10
Providents \$4.05
Lands \$39
Humphreys \$7.70
Star Ferries \$64
Yau-mut Ferries \$25
China Lights (Old) \$7.00
China Lights (New) \$5
Electric \$60
Macao Electric \$20
Sandakan Lights \$11 1/4
Telephones (Old) \$20.80
Dairy Farms (Old) \$22 1/4
Dairy Farms (New) \$21.40
Entertainments \$7 1/4
Sellers
Docks \$22 1/2
Providents \$4 1/4
Lands \$39 1/2
Sales
H.K. Banks \$1,450
Canton Ins. \$220
Docks \$22.30
Providents \$4.05
Tramways \$17.00/60
Electric \$50/50 1/2
Telephones (Old) \$27
Cement \$10.50
Ropes \$3/10
Dairy Farms (Old) \$22 1/4
Watsons \$5.50/45

SWEDEN IS INDIGNANT

Sharp Reaction To Pajala Bombing

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Swedish newspapers are expressing great indignation at the bombing of Pajala and saying that Sweden has never been the object of such a serious violation of her neutrality, either in the last war or the present one.

Stockholm's "Tidningen" says that Sweden wants peace and so does the whole of Scandinavia.

"It is certainly growing dark up here, however, and perhaps all neutrals will have to make serious decisions in the near future," comments the paper.

All Parties Agree

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—All parties in the Swedish Government have endorsed the Swedish Government's policy of withholding military aid to Finland.

Warning To Foreign Planes

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—General Nygren, military commander of the province of Norrland, declared that his anti-aircraft batteries will fire at any foreign planes which cross the frontier.

He added that the military authorities sent experts to Pajala immediately after the Soviet bombing of the village.

The Altmork Affair

More Support For Britain

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The following comments have been made by American newspapers on the Altmork affair:

"Milwaukee Journal": "Norway let her territorial waters to be used by Germany as a protected waterway to avoid the British blockade. It is difficult to see how Norway has a leg to stand on in her protest to Britain."

San Francisco "Chronicle": "The neutral world will grant no right to Germany in this affair."

Cleveland "Plain Dealer": "The British are well aware that Germany has played fast and loose with the rights of her small neutral neighbours. The Germans are not likely to get far in legalistic disputes."

Tampa "Times": "The Altmork had no right to take advantage of Norwegian neutrality and should be interned with all her officers and crew until the end of the war, despite the Nazi bluff and bluster."

Attempt To Refloat Ship

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—COPENHAGEN, Feb. 22 (UP).—A German plane, carrying 12 technicians to assist in refloating the Altmork, passed over Copenhagen enroute to Stavanger to-day.

REDS SIX MILES FROM VIBORG

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railway in the Karelian Isthmus within a point within 18 miles of Viborg, according to a Finnish communiqué issued to-night.

This is the first indication of the extent of the recent Finnish withdrawal to their new positions in the Mannerheim Line.

The deepest point of the Soviet advance is some distance west of the village of Summa.

Since the start of their offensive in this sector the Soviets appear to have gained between five and ten miles at a cost of great losses in men and material.

While the Finns claim to be firmly entrenched in their new positions they are evidently being hard pressed.

The Russian drive has now widened across the whole of the Karelian Isthmus but at the eastern side near Taipale, where its main force is being expended, the Red Army seems to be meeting little success.

The Finns claim that the Russian losses in this sector included 4,500 killed during the past week.

IRAQ CABINET RESHUFFLE

BAGHDAD, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Seyid Nouri Es-Said, the Prime Minister, has reformed the Iraq Government by reshuffling portfolios and the introduction of two new Ministers.

The Prime Minister has temporarily taken the portfolio of Foreign Affairs.

French Cabinet Holds Meeting

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The French Cabinet yesterday reviewed the diplomatic and economic situation.

President Lebrun signed a decree authorising the C-in-C of the French Air Force to remain on the active list for one year. He reaches the retiring age limit this year.

Famous Playwright To Marry Actress

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—LONDON, Feb. 22 (UP).—It is announced that Mr. Robert Morley, actor and playwright, will shortly marry Miss Joan Buckmaster, daughter of Gladys Cooper.

Turkey Gets Ready

Draws Up War Time Regulations

ISTANBUL, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The Government is drawing up regulations with a view to applying, without delay, the special powers conferred by the Emergency Law, according to a message from Ankara.

In view of the influence which the war has had on Turkey's economic structure, the first step will be classification of exports and imports into easily controlled groups.

Cost prices will be drastically checked and fixed selling prices established.

Measures are also to be taken to accumulate stocks and to ensure ample supplies for national defence requirements.

GERMAN RUTHLESSNESS ANGRS THE NEUTRALS

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64,000 tons while 228 Swedish seamen had lost their lives and 15 were still missing.

The "Daily Telegraph" stresses the Foreign Minister's remark that 53 per cent of the total losses were of ships sailing from neutral ports.

Instead of protesting against Mr. Chamberlain's "drift," says the paper, the Norwegian press might be better employed in calling attention to the losses inflicted by the Nazis on their countrymen.

The "News Chronicle" says that the aim of the Nazis is the total destruction of Sweden's overseas trade except with Germany, and the Swedish Foreign Minister's statement can hardly leave Swedish people in doubt as to where their real interest lies.

Has Opposite Effect

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The Nazis' ruthless efforts, apparently aimed at breaking the nerves of the men manning British trawlers and fishing craft, have had the opposite effect.

As already reported, there has been a great response of fishermen and volunteers for mine-sweeping work. Older men are just as keen, however, and in the House of Commons next week, the Prime Minister will be asked to consider abolishing the maximum age limit of 45.

NAZI PLANE SHOT FOLLOWING CHASE

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roaring out to sea and later an explosion was heard.

Raid On Heligoland

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—It is reported that British planes, flying over Borkum and Heligoland, attacked several German torpedo boats. The results of the attacks are not yet known.

The Royal Air Force is stated to have made many reconnaissance flights in the North Sea during the last day or two.

SHORTAGE OF COAL

Situation In Shanghai Becomes Serious

Shanghai, Feb. 22.

Owing mainly to the diverting of supplies to Japan, Shanghai is to-day facing the most acute shortage of coal in its history, and coal prices are rapidly soaring to threaten the recovery of the Great War. The present price is \$220 a ton, compared with \$10 in the summer of 1937, just before the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

Causes responsible for the tremendous increases in prices are said to include:

1. Diverting to Japan, because of the shortage there, of Shantung and Keelung (Formosa) coal, which used to meet about 20 per cent. of Shanghai's needs;

2. Shortage of coal in India, whose production has been diverted to Europe to supply the requirements of the Allies;

3. Phenomenal declines in the exchange value of the Chinese Dollar.—Reuter.

Murder Case Appeal

Shanghai, Feb. 22.

The appeal of Private Eckford of the Seaforth Highlanders, against the death sentence for the murder of Sergeant James Davis on November 4 will be heard by the High Court on February 27.

The Court will consist of Sir Alan Mossop, Judge of the Supreme Court for China, Mr. P. Grant Jones, Assistant Judge, and Sir Athol Macgregor, Chief Justice of Hongkong, who is coming here specially for the appeal.

Eckford was found guilty and sentenced to death on January 11.—United Press.

KIDNAPPER FOILED

Taxi Driver's Presence Of Mind

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—SHANGHAI, Feb. 22 (UP).—The presence of mind of the chauffeur of a hire car, saved Mrs. Hsu Shing-loh from becoming the victim of kidnappers.

Mrs. Hsu is the widow of the former Chairman of the China Commercial Bank, who died when a C.N.A.C. plane was machine-gunned by the Japanese while flying from Hongkong to Chungking in 1938.

Two Chinese gunmen held up Mrs. Hsu, who was shopping near the city. The gunmen, ordered her to enter the car but Mrs. Hsu screamed and the chauffeur, realising that something was wrong, abandoned his car and ran down Nanking Road.

One gunman apparently attempted to overtake the chauffeur, who disappeared. The other gunman pushed Mrs. Hsu back into a shoe store and then made his escape.

Nazi Planes Shot Down

London, Feb. 22.

Two German raiders were brought down this morning, the Air Ministry announces. One was shot down by R.A.F. fighters off the north-east coast shortly after midday and the other, a Heinkel machine, was attacked by Spitfire machines of the coastal command and crashed on land near St. Abb's Head.—Reuter.

Battle Against Mud

Paris, Feb. 22.

The opening barrage of the Battle of Verdun began 24 years ago to-day, but the anniversary finds relative calm, the soldiers being held in check by a common enemy, mud. Even the Germans, who have been showing constructive reconnaissance enterprise recently, have apparently given up the struggle against the mud.

Reports from the north-east front mention only half-hearted attempts to penetrate the trench advance posts. However, further south, enemy crews with heavy machine guns have maintained an almost unbroken stream of fire, but there has been no rumble of artillery similar to the fighting in Verdun.—United Press.

Paris Communique

Paris, Feb. 22.

A French communique to-day states—"East of the Moselle an enemy raid was driven back. Two German non-commissioned officers were made prisoners by one of our patrols."—Reuter Bulletin.

Holland Indignant

Amsterdam, Feb. 22.

Dismay and indignation is felt at the latest disasters to Dutch ships. In addition to the steamer Tara and tanker Den Haag, the trawler Petten has been mined off the Dutch coast. Since the start of the war Holland has lost 14 merchantmen and two naval vessels owing to mines and torpedo action.

The Meusebode says these are dark days for Dutch shipping. Apart from valuable ships and lives sacrificed, the question of cargoes lost is giving rise to growing concern.

The Tara and Den Haag were carrying grain and petroleum, which are commodities of prime importance to Holland. This aspect of the matter is beginning to engage the serious attention of the Dutch authorities.—Reuter.

Brother And Sister Suspected Spies

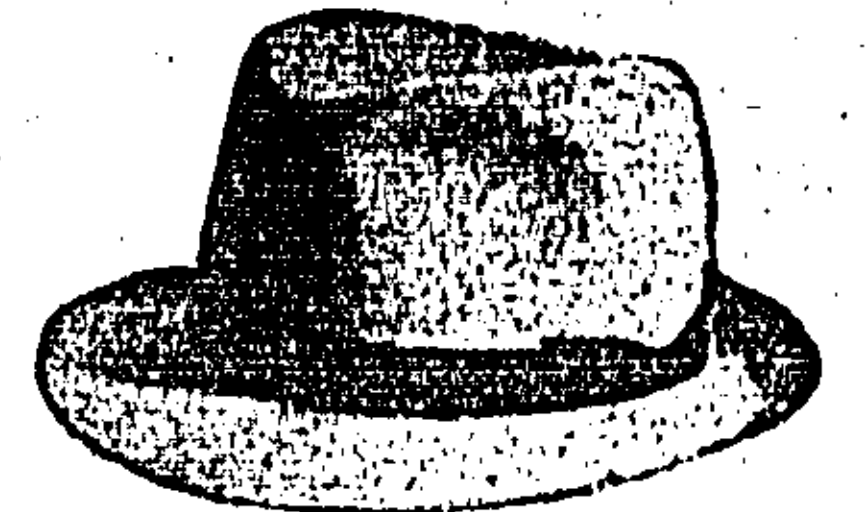
BRUSSELS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—A German employed at the German Consulate in Antwerp, the shipping agent at Ghent, and his sister, have been arrested on suspicion of espionage.

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THE HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

The Society asks for \$35,000

In 1940 to meet the increasing needs of sick and destitute children in Hong Kong, against which the Income to date is \$12,000 only. In order to continue its work, the Society appeals for the balance of \$23,000 before the close of the financial year on 31st October. A copy of the Annual Report for 1939 may be obtained from:

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"Captain Foster's" Racing Review

ANNUAL RACE CARNIVAL TERMINATES TO-MORROW NINE EVENTS ON PROGRAMME: AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONS

The Annual Race Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club will terminate to-morrow at Happy Valley. Punters are reminded that the first saddling bell will be chimed at 1.30 p.m., instead of the usual 11.30 a.m.

An attractive programme of nine races, with the inclusion of seven handicap events, will be presented, and chief interest will undoubtedly be centred in the Australian Ponies Champions over a distance of one and a quarter miles. The classic event will surely bring out a few smart youngsters of this season's subscription griffins and it looks to me that we are going to have a nice champion tussle.

As I write, the allotment of handicap weights for the seven events has not yet been announced and in the circumstance the prospects of all the races will be briefly discussed in to-morrow's issue.

Little Dado Warned

San Francisco, Feb. 23 (UPI).—The State Boxing Commission has warned Little Dado, flyweight champion, to meet Little Pancho before March 29 or forfeit his title.

Meanwhile, it has been announced that Pancho will meet Lupe Cordova in a ten-round bout on February 26 at the Coliseum Bowl.

Amazing Performances By China Ponies

However, I am glad to be able to write the last chapter of the amazing performances put up by the China ponies, *bona fide* griffins of the meeting, and the three best steeds selected by the writer, namely, Burford, Mount Hope Bay and Satinlight are now the holders of fastest times over various distances.

The most exclusive event, the Hongkong Derby, has come and gone. Mr. Eric Moller is to be congratulated in capturing the Blue Riband with his Satinlight, ably ridden by his son, Mr. "Boogie". Moller and it was the Shanghai grand "old man's" second success, his first being in 1938 with Silky. Of course, the verdict of the victory was not by the length of Wong-Nei-Chong Road, but it must have thrilled every regular follower of the turf, for the grim battle for the highest honours of the season started at the foot of the hill and thereabouts. It was a "neck to neck" fight with Burford, piloted by Mr. Raymond Pih, over the last five furlongs of the long distance outing and when the end came after a most exciting Derby witnessed at the Valley, the decision was only half a length.

THE classic endurance contest was run in a record time of 2.50.4/5 for one and a half miles, lowering Rose Elect's figure by four three-fifths seconds. It was certainly a grand performance. Although I was not sweet on Satinlight for the Blue Riband, I was glad in my assertion that Spiclight was not the cream of Mr. Moller's string of animals.

BURFORD'S PERFORMANCES

BURFORD, owned by the Quarter-master's stable, gave a gallant display of his propelling powers, losing to Satinlight by only half a length, but the bay stallion, ably assisted by Mr. Pih in the saddle, made amends in the Champion Stakes, beating the Derby winner by two lengths in the record time of 2.20.4 for 1 1/4 miles. It was one of the finest performances done by Silky.

I remembered in querying in this column about a fortnight ago whether the Russian trainer had enough time to get Burford in trim for the stamina run and there was no doubt

that the failure of the Quarter-master's candidate in the big event was short of a gallop. After a hard fight in the Hongkong Derby, Burford was another China steed in the Racing Stakes over a mile and he certainly had an easy outing to pick up \$1,000 for the owners. Apart from the easy win by six lengths, the stallion sliced two three-fifths seconds off the record time of 1.54 held by Confusion Bay since November 10. However, it is a long stretch to the Hongkong Derby of 1941, but I sincerely hope that when the time comes, the owners in general will realise the importance of having their chargers here long before the run at least two months of training at Happy Valley.

MOUNT HOPE BAY

MOUNT Hope Bay's performance in the Grand Stand Stakes over six furlongs seemed to suggest that Mr. Dunbar's stallion was more of a sprinter than a stayer. The pony annexed this event in great style, beating Mrs. Taggart's Craigavon with Mr. Encarnacion in the saddle not only by six lengths but in the record time of 1.21.5, which was one two-fifths seconds faster than the record, established by Spiclight in the Maiden Stakes on the first day of the Annual Carnival. Mount Hope Bay nearly landed a coup in the Chater Cup in a scramble for the 1 1/4 mile post and he went under Spiclight, the winner, by half a length. There was plenty of money on the Clire's candidate, but Mount Hope Bay would have paid handsomely if he had crossed the wire first.

After fighting hard for the first three days of the annual race meeting, Mr. B. W. Bradbury met with some success on Wednesday, Greber and Racynlight leading him for the first position in the frame in the Hopeful Stakes over the champion course, while Clemenber had a comfortable win in the Griffins Consolation Stakes over a mile in 1.53.4, which was below Confusion Bay's old track figure of 1.54. It was a fine run.

MR. MOLLER'S SUCCESSES

It may not be generally known that out of nine races confined to Derby griffins run on the first four days of the annual big meeting, Mr. Eric Moller captured six events, five off the reel, and the sixth was a dead-heat between Racynlight and Greber in the Hopeful Stakes. It may be of interest to know that in addition to the Lusitano and Chater Cups, the three griffins of the Clire's stable brought in a grand total of \$9,120 (Satinlight won \$5,170, Spiclight made \$2,280 and Racynlight cleared \$1,700) and I wonder whether Mr. Moller had a good race meeting. Navylight was, in my opinion, very lucky to capture the Challenge Cup valued at one hundred guineas, which was won outright by the Shanghai challenger and this means that the Hongkong Jockey Club will have to provide another silver trophy for next year's racing.

PROMINENT NON-WINNERS

THERE are at least over three dozen griffins under the category

COMPLETE RACING SUCCESSES TO DATE

LISTS OF LEADING OWNERS AND JOCKEYS

FOLLOWING shows how the owners and jockeys fared during the first four days of the annual meeting:

JOCKEYS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Unp.
R. B. Moller	7	1	1	21
D. Black	5	4	4	10
H. C. Pih	5	3	3	10
P. Y. T. Wei	4	5	2	10
L. B. Chao	4	2	4	12
H. J. A. Heame	4	1	4	9
V. V. Needa	3	3	2	15
S. C. Liang	3	1	1	12
C. Encarnacion	2	4	5	15
K. P. Crum	2	4	1	15
D. Kuy-ying	2	1	1	8
B. A. Proulx	1	3	4	11
W. H. S. Davis	1	3	3	3
F. Marshall	1	2	2	7
S. W. Pan	1	2	2	14
H. M. Botelho	1	1	1	14
H. A. de B. Botelho	1	1	1	13
Tung Min-wa	1	1	1	11
O. R. Sudick	1	1	1	3
Y. T. Fung	1	1	1	1
R. M. Wood	1	1	1	4
W. G. Poy	1	1	1	10
S. Judah	1	1	1	1
G. W. Cooper	1	1	1	1
F. A. Sequeira	1	1	1	1
R. Sleep	1	1	1	1
Lo C. Hui	1	1	1	1
H. A. de B. Botelho	1	1	1	1
R. K. C. Chiu	1	1	1	1
T. W. Chatterley	1	1	1	1
Yeung Wing-sing	1	1	1	1
H. J. Cowie	1	1	1	2
G. Treverton	1	1	1	2
S. W. Tang	1	1	1	2
K. W. Tung	1	1	1	3
Yeung Wing-kwai	1	1	1	3
C. L. Gregory	1	1	1	3
L. H. Howell	1	1	1	6
Ho Hong-ping	1	1	1	8
Hoo Pak-ming	1	1	1	12
S. L. Yuen	1	1	1	12

OWNERS

	1st	2nd	3rd
Clire	7	1	2
L. Dunbar	3	3	4
Lucky	3	2	1
Eve	2	1	3
Quartermaster	2	1	1
Marber	1	3	1
Mrs. J. H. Taggart	1	2	1
Ellandee	1	2	1
J. F. Macgregor	1	1	1
Yly	1	1	1
S.M.K.	1	1	1
Mrs. A. E. Grasett	1	1	1
Marber	1	1	1
Diamonds	1	1	2
Cocoa	1	1	2
Li Po-chun	1	1	1
Vilja	1	1	1
Lee Bros.	1	1	1
J. G. Whitaker	1	1	1
Yick Chim	1	1	1
E.S.K.	1	1	1
Sunnyside	1	1	1
Fan	1	1	1
Iron	1	1	1
G. Treverton	1	1	1
Gredlin	1	1	1
Nearindia	1	1	1
A.H.P.	1	1	1
Uncorn	1	1	1
Cal	1	1	1
L.T.F.	1	1	1
C.W.K.	1	1	3
Tung Min-wa	1	1	2
S. W. Lee	1	1	1
Li Chiu-hang	1	1	2
Mrs. Stanton	1	1	2
Mrs. Eu Tong-sen	1	1	1
Dr. S. N. Chau	1	1	1
Eu Tong-sen	1	1	1
S. L. K.	1	1	1
J. H. Jensen	1	1	1
H. Leigh	1	1	1
John Peel	1	1	1
Ichi Ora	1	1	1
Y.H.	1	1	1
Mrs. B. Hall	1	1	1
Choice	1	1	1
S. T. Williamson	1	1	2
Lady Northcote	1	1	1
Mrs. Dunbar	1	1	1
L. W. S.	1	1	1
Billy	1	1	1
Helenide	1	1	1
Wong Sui-ngau	1	1	1



Quartermaster's Burford (H. C. Pih up) being led in by Mrs. C. B. Brown on the right and Mrs. R. H. Wild on the left, after winning the Champions, beating Satinlight, the Derby winner.—Moe Cheung.

Handicap Weights For Last Day Of Meeting

WEIGHTS for the handicap events of the fifth and last day of the Annual Race Meeting (to-morrow) are as follows:

GRIFFINS' SPRING HANDICAP

Attacking Time (148), Blue Skies (158), Bronze Arrow (151), Care Free (151), Craigavon (150), Dingy (150), Distinctive Time (151), Dupont Bay (151), Eve of Dancing (151), Eve of Peace (148), Eve of Hunting (148), Eve of Peace (148), Eve of Reason (151), For All Time (161), Gay Star (161), Hillsboro Bay (145), Hopetful Star (151), Hughber (151), Jane Doe (151), Johnher (150), Kentucky (145), Lauraber (151), Little Princess (145), Lusitano (151), National Success (142), Ohio (151), Orlway (late Egnort Bay) (161), O-Lan (158), Omaha (161), Oomph (158), Patricia (161), Possible (163), Resisting Time (158), Ronson (148), Rose Perfect (161), Silver Wings (161), Smashing Through (151), Thirty Six (158), Victoria (156), White Diamond (157), Xenophon (151).

ICHANG HANDICAP, 1ST SEC.

Avon (146), Bear Claw (159), Blue Express (159), Conquering Time (150), English Cavalier (151), Galaxy (155), Heetic View (140), Humdrum Eve (160), Hyndford Bridge (148), King's Warden (151), Lilliber (161), Red Feather (150), Rob Roy (147), Rose Emily (140), TAIPIING HANDICAP, 1ST SEC. Bistre (160), Chatterbox (152), Delko (140), Double Chance (140), Estover (140), Gold Coin (143), Golden Cow (145), Kut Cheung (150), Night View (168), Orange Boven (153), Piet Hein (150), Plain View (140), Shipmaster (161), Smiling Time (140), Some Hope (150), Strathdon (140), The Leopard (150), The Tigress (140), West Lake (144), Wilber (144), Wild Cat (160), Willy-nilly (140).

BENARBA HANDICAP

Amber II (150), Aztec (163), Colorado Star (135), Dick Turpin (135), Discovery Bay (150), Heinz (140), Macquarie River (140), Murray River (135), Perfect Day (142), Pocomos (148), Sea Urchin (140), Strathcarrie (158), Tarzan (135).

WUHU HANDICAP

Arabian Cat (150), Blaisdon (140), Cuban Love (161), Digenes (145), Dragonfly (161), Gallant Marshal (145), Geordie (151), Gog (160), Green Bay (158), Heddon (150), King's Envoy (140), Lucky Eleven (145), National Honour (140), Opening Batsman (140), Pull Mail (144), Palmer (153), Rose Day (140), Sports Venture (146), Tempest (156), Tiger Eyes (140), Tribute (140), Valorous (160).

ICHANG HANDICAP, 2ND SEC.

Blue Diamond (150), Expansion Time (151), Gladiator (140), Half-Moon-Eve (161), Jennifer (157), Jobber (157), Just in Time (148), New Star (165), Oak Bay (152), Peaceful View (158), Pinfarthings (147), Potentate (157), Rose Flana (150), Rose Jane (140), Tuxing Master (140).

TAIPIING HANDICAP, 2ND SEC.

Ascot Vale (163), Brassy (159), Desert Star (168), Ebony Idol (145), Emergency Call (148), February Morning (155), Fei Ying (140), Good Morning (168), Lancashire Chap (143), Matador (150), Meteor (145), National Liberty (140), Popular Star (143), Portrush (163), Radium Star (143), Silver Star (160), Starlet (140), Sunshine Susie (140), Talkative (158), Tiny Tim (148), Wild Bear (140), Zero (168).

Rifle Shooting

RECORD CROWD AT MID-WEEK MEETING

One hundred and twenty-three members of the Hongkong Rifle Association were present at Wednesday's noon and practice shoot at the Kowloon City Ranges, which constituted a record attendance for a mid-week shoot for this season.

Cpl. R. Langford, of the Middlesex Regiment, won the net spoon in the open sights class with a very good score of 91, while Sub. Lt. G. J. P. Carey, of the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Reserve, won the same prize in the aperture sights with 94.

Mr. W. A. Tansley obtained the best score in the revolver shoot, with 50 out of a possible 60.

The Association hope to commence miniature rifle shooting very shortly.

SUNDAY'S PROGRAMME

On Sunday, firing will take place on the "B" Range at Kowloon City, commencing at 8.30 a.m. sharp. Firing will be from 200, 500 and 600 yards. The programme, as arranged by the Royal Scots, will be as follows:—(1) Open sights, teams of four, no handicaps; (2) aperture sights, teams of four, handicaps allowed; (3) pairs, one open and one aperture sights, no handicaps.

Teams and pairs must belong to the same Rifle club and no one may win more than one spoon. There will also be revolver and clay bird shooting.

Leading scores on Wednesday were:

Army Boxing

INTER-UNIT NOVICES FINALS

Spirited fighting was seen in the finals of the Hongkong Area individual (inter-unit) novices' boxing championships at Murray Barracks last night. The prizes were distributed by Brig. T. McLeod.

The only knock-out was scored when in the lightweight bout Pte. Cole (Middlesex) beat Pte. Smith (Royal Scots).

Heavyweight—Pte. Brett (Royal Scots) beat Pte. McDonald (Royal Scots).

Featherweight—Pte. Corrigan (Royal Scots) beat Pte. Forrest (Royal Scots).

Lightweight—Pte. Cole (Middlesex) knocked out Pte. Smith (Royal Scots).

Middleweight—Pte. Crossgroves (Royal Scots) beat Pte. Clarke (Royal Scots).

Special bout—Benn. Emerson (Royal Scots) beat L/Cpl. Macnally (Royal Scots).

Light-heavy—Pte. Revell (Middlesex) beat L/Cpl. Rose (Seaford Highlanders).

REGIONAL FOOTBALL

LONDON, Feb. 23 (Reuter).—Results of the regional football matches played yesterday were:

SOUTH "A"	
West Ham	4 Clifton Orient 1
SOUTH "B"	
Chelsea	4 Bournemouth 3
Heavyweight—Chas. Ellsworth (R.A.) beat Cnr. Greenow (R.A.).	
Welterweight—L/Cpl. Wilson (Mid-dlesex) beat Pte. Dunlop (Royal Scots).	

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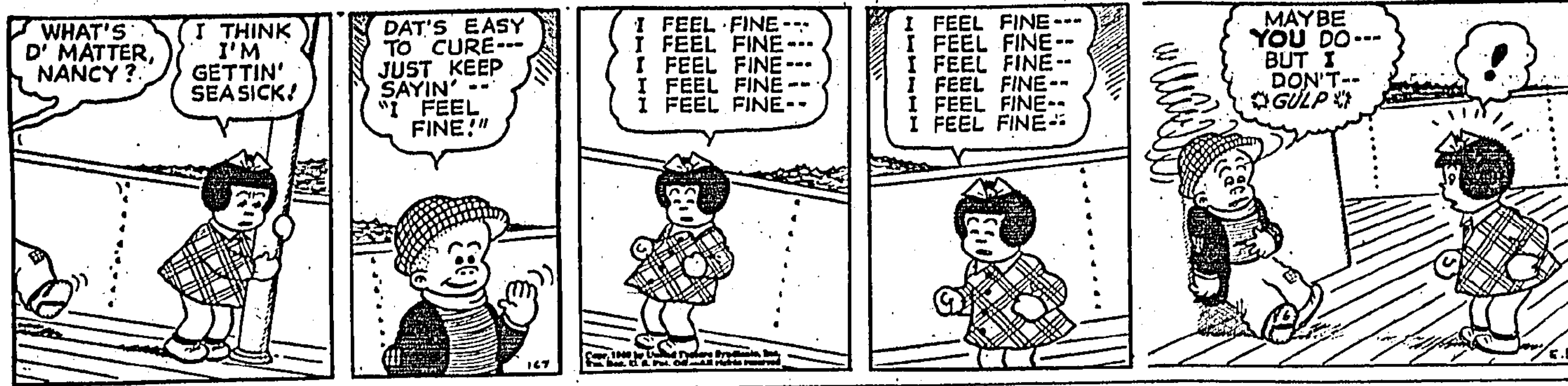
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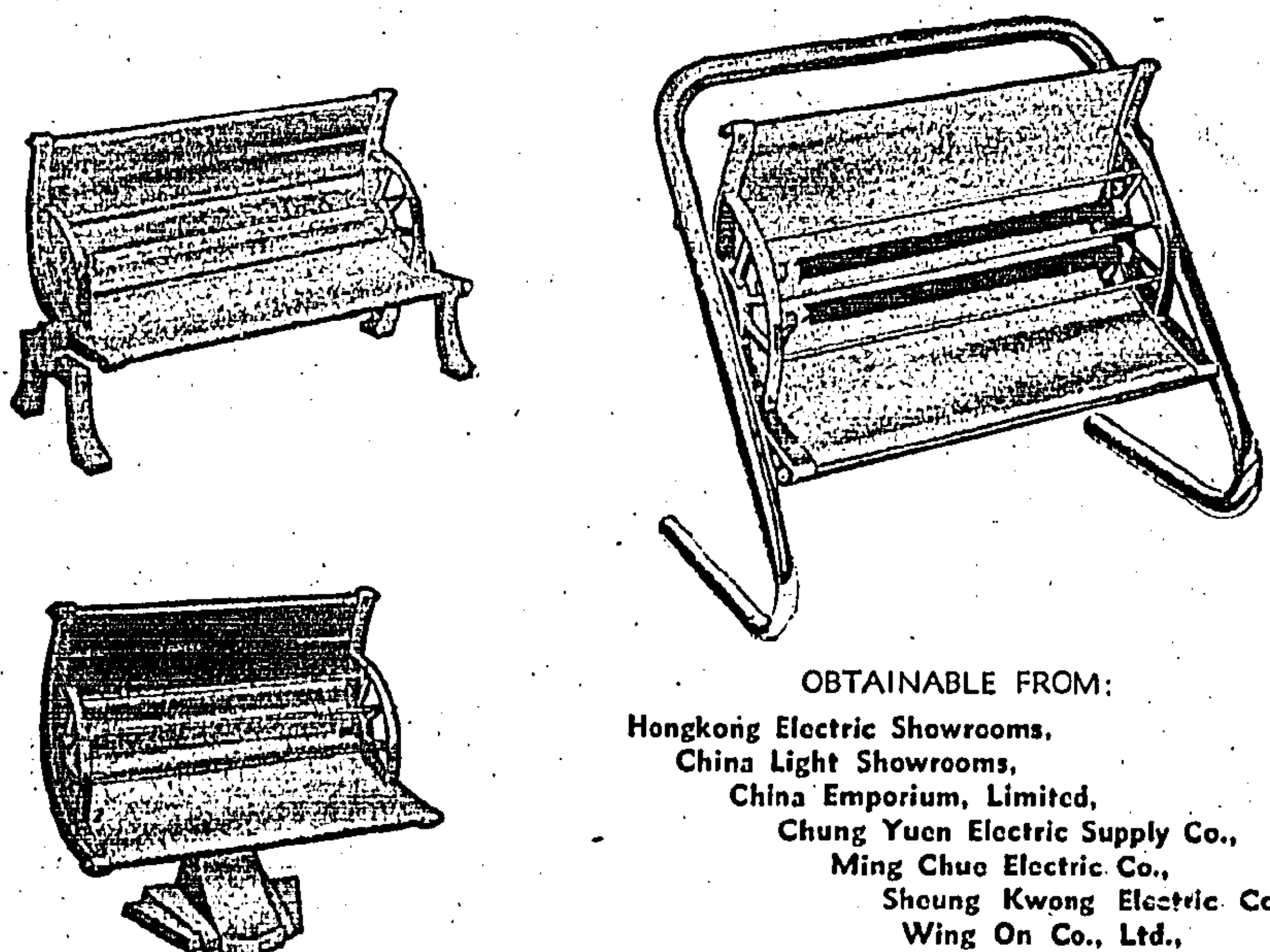
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WESTERN FRONT Heavy Gunfire By Germans

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—An official communique issued to-day says that there have been artillery actions on both sides of the front especially to the west of the Saar and the east of Blies.

There has been an increased activity of both air forces between Moselle and the Rhine and also over Alsace.

German Communiqué

BERLIN, Feb. 22 (UP).—The Nazi High Command communiqué for to-day said: "In the west there were widespread air force reconnaissance flights over western France. Despite the enemy defences, German patrol planes suffered no losses. An attempt by enemy planes to enter Germany across the west front failed."

The official D.N.B. report says: "Enemy artillery fire which, at times, was intense was reported from the usual sectors on the western front."

"Among other points, Schneberg and territory north of Splehern were the objects of enemy artillery fire. German artillery put enemy positions and batteries east of Moselle under heavy fire."

"In the vicinity of Duerenberg a German patrol repulsed, a much stronger enemy patrol and inflicted heavy losses. On the upper Rhine, the day passed quietly with the exception of brief local exchanges of fire in the Altenseimer Bend."

"German aircraft continue reconnaissance flights, particularly over eastern France. French aircraft defence fired frequently but were not able to halt the German planes. German anti-aircraft fire prevented enemy planes from flying over several points on the western front."

Colonial Aid Scheme Palestinian Press Is Delighted

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—In Palestine the "Arab" paper, "Addifan," in an editorial stresses that the importance of the Colonial development scheme lies in the fact that it is declared in war-time when the need of funds is urgent.

The "Assirat Almustaqim" has done well in declaring this policy.

Political Efficiency

The Hebrew paper, "Davar," says: "It is the best evidence of the economic force of the Empire and the financial power of Britain. It also shows political efficiency and psychological soundness, enabling British statesmen to extend concern to matters not directly connected with the war."

"Extension of the mandated territories seems in consequence a decidedly pro-British stand taken by the population."

"British mandated countries regard the fight against Nazism as their own. They are ready to make every effort required."

The Caracis paper, "Ahleia," says: "The statement on Colonial policy disapproves completely the propaganda accusing Britain of oppression of the Empire. A perfect Union of the Empire is the key to victory. The British Empire form a granite-like block."

STOCK EXCHANGE ACTIVITY

Fresh Buying Features
Industrials

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, industrials continued to be the main source of to-day's activity, and prices in all sections reflected the presence of fresh buying.

The removal of the minimum price of the London Transport Transport Co. stock was responsible for an increased interest in home rails. Initial dealings in this stock were on the basis of 48 to 52, and closed around 52½.

Shipping shares attracted attention.

After hours, a dividend on the year of 1½ per cent. was announced on the London-Midland Scottish ordinary shares.

Courtaulds' dividend for the year totalled 7 per cent. as compared with 4 per cent. last year. Wall Street had a holiday.

To Fight At Own Risk Premier And Volunteers For Finland

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, replying to questions on voluntary aid for Finland, said that he understood that terms of service for British subjects who had volunteered for service in an international force operating in Finland, had been arranged between the Finnish Air Bureau and the Finnish Government.

Labour M.P.'s Criticism

Mr. MacGovern (Independent Labour) asked whether it was not unjust and a great contradiction that volunteers who might be wounded or killed should be refused pensions when the League of Nations was prepared to give Finland assistance and the British Government was giving arms and permission to the volunteers to go.

Mr. Chamberlain said that the terms of service were properly arranged between those making arrangements for enlistment in Britain and the Finnish Government.

Questioned further on the matter of pensions, the Prime Minister declared: "They are volunteers and it is not a matter with which we are concerned."

Britons May Fight In Finland

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Sir John Anderson, the Home Secretary, stated to-day that no difficulties would be placed in the way of British subjects who desired to serve in Finland if they were volunteers approved by the Finnish Aid Bureau.

SPORT ADVTS.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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The fifth interval will be after the fourth race on the first four days of the Meeting.

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Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all bills, etc.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 10.00 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 12.00 NOON ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box, (Tel. 21020).

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting. No animals will be allowed on the Fifth Day.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tidings will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

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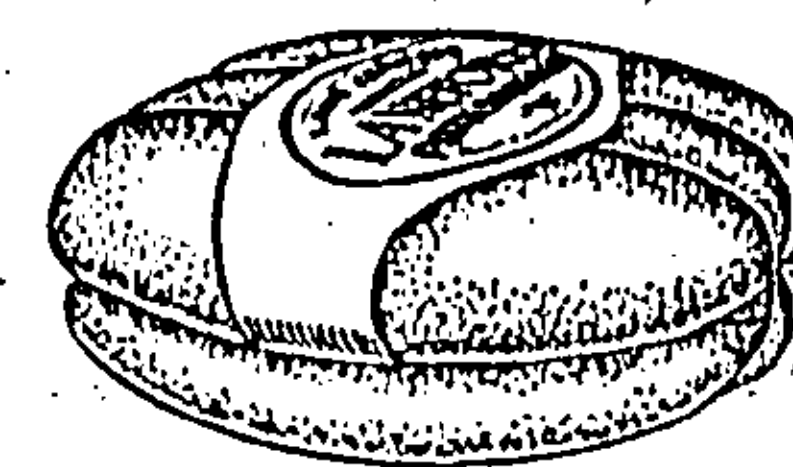
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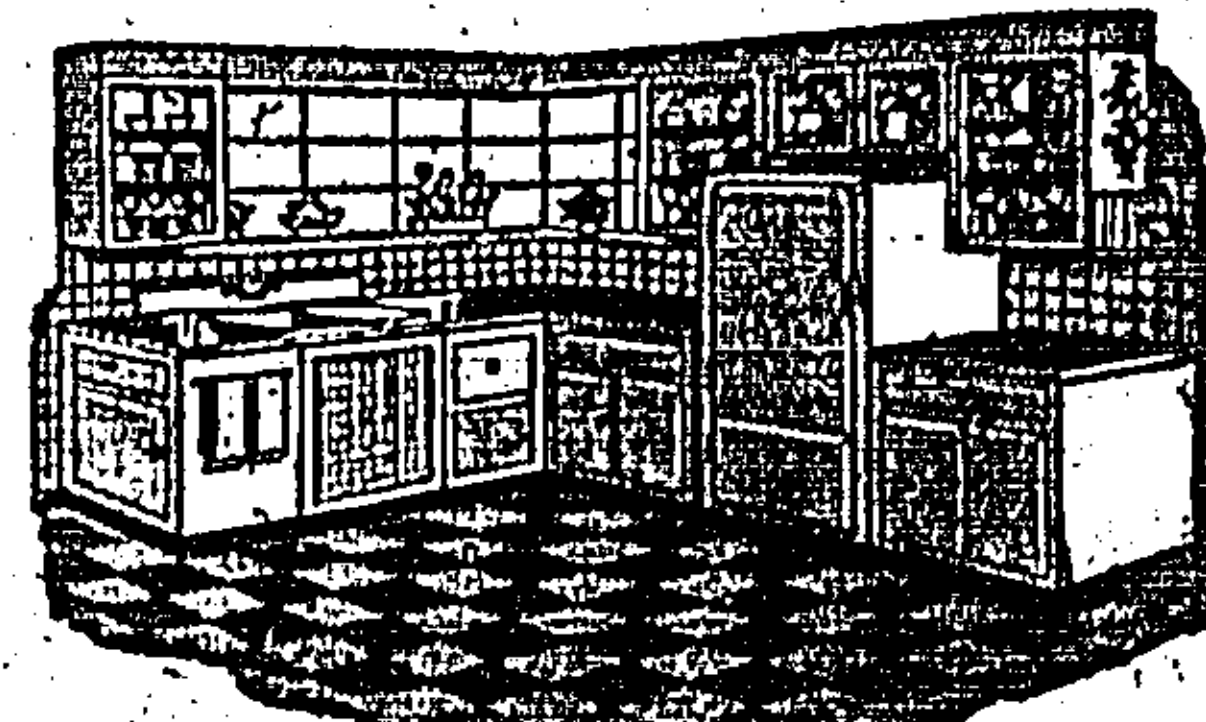
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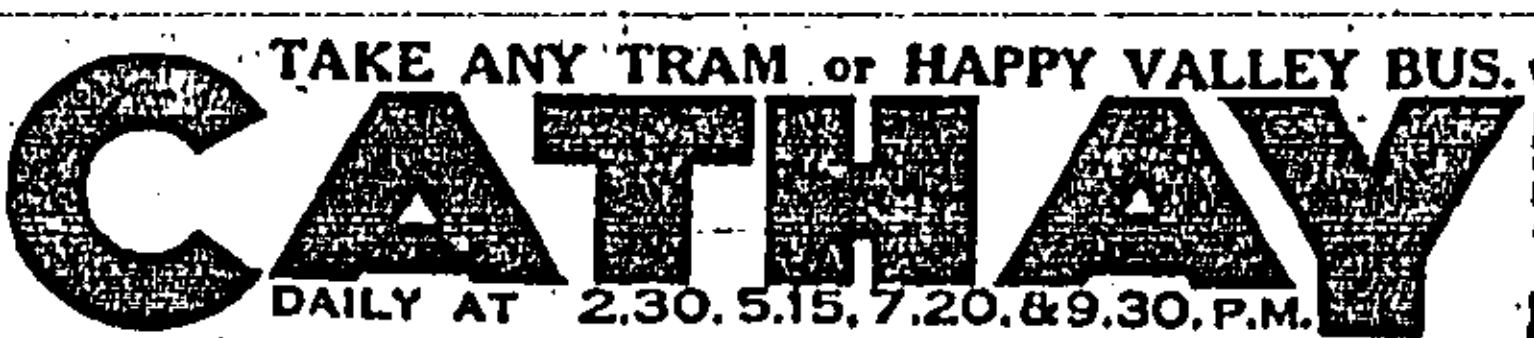
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GERMANY has two new-type bombers but their secrets are out already.

Bomber No. 1, a four-engined seaplane capable of carrying 20 bombs, made its first appearance when the unarmed British steamer Highwave was bombed and machine-gunned on Tuesday, says a

Homeside reporter.

Up to now Germany has used only twin-engined Heinkels and Dorniers to attack British shipping.

The new bomber is believed to be of the HA 140 class—a military version of the four-engined commercial HA 139 planes built for the Deutsche Luft Hansa for trans-ocean flights.

According to Jane's "All the World's Aircraft," the HA 139s have four 510 h.p. Junkers heavy oil engines. Their maximum speed is 195.0 m.p.h., cruising speed 101.5 m.p.h., and their range is 3,100 miles. The crew of the Dutch motor-ship Rian, who saw the attack on the Highwave, say that the bomber released its bombs in groups of five, from about 1,000ft.

The Rian was lifted 4ft. in the water by the force of the explosions.

Bomber No. 2 was described in an Air Ministry statement yesterday, and is a high-speed, twin-engined Junkers—the JU 88.

It has not been used to any great extent, but the Air Ministry says: "It may be assumed that considerable numbers of the type are likely to form part of any full-scale attack against Britain."

The main facts about the JU 88 are these:

(1) Although its maximum speed of about 315 m.p.h. is high for a bomber, its range at a cruising speed of 265 m.p.h. is only 1,300 miles—less than half that of the British Wellington.

(2) The JU 88 has three gun positions—one in the nose and one above and one below the fuselage—but it has no tail gun.

After their experience with British fighters and bombers the Nazi experts may try to find a way out of this failing, but the design of the JU 88 is against it.

The maximum "ceiling" of the JU 88 is just under 30,000ft., or nearly six miles, but even this is no protection against British fighters, such as the eight-gun, 307 m.p.h. Spitfire.

And the answer: To overcome the limitations of fixed machine-guns, which prevent "broadside" attacks, a new two-seater fighter, the Boulton Paul Defiant is being developed for the R.A.F.

The Defiant an all-metal plane, will have a power-driven gun turret, housing a battery of guns and operated by a trained air-gunner.

Flying alongside a formation of hostile bombers, the Defiant gunner would be able to rake them from nose to tail.

The Defiant is a low-wing monoplane with single Rolls-Royce Merlin engine of over 1,000 h.p. The wing area is 250 square feet—a little more than that of the Spitfire and Hurricane fighters.

HERTZOG FACES BAD DEFEAT

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 22 (Reuters).—In the South-West Africa elections, the Nationalist Party, which is pro-Hertzog and is supported by Germans in South-West Africa, is being badly defeated.

So far the United Party has won ten elected seats and the Nationalist Party only one.

There is still one outstanding result.



AT THE FRONT

—Happy New Year, old boy. (Canard Enchaîné, Paris)

ALSACE IN THE WAR

By RICHARD CAPELL. "Sunday Times" War Correspondent with the French Army

Between Belfort, the fortress that guards the famous gap between the Vosges and the Jura, and Mulhouse, in Alsace, there are still to be seen relics of the last war—battered pill boxes and the like.

In 1870 Belfort gloriously withstood the German assault, but to travel over this ground is to realise even more vividly than the maps tell you how uncomfortably close the frontiers of the peace of 1871 brought the Germans to this gateway to the interior of France when in 1914 it had again to be defended. The "Belfort Gap" is, geographically speaking, what it always was, but militarily speaking, how comfortable is the position as established by the peace of 1919!

Belfort, the much tried and the much besieged, can survey the new war with a jolly sense of security. The bastions of the mountains to left and right serve the fortress as they have always done; but the eastern line of defence is now swung far forward. It is the Rhine, and the Rhine to-day is a barrier against the invader such as it has never been from the dawn of time.

A War of Toil

An invitation from the Army which guards this front afforded an opportunity of seeing in much detail the fortified lines and of appraising the spirit of the troops. The work done in the last few months has, put it in general terms, made assurance doubly and trebly sure. It has been a war not of fighting but of incessant laborious toil.

Nothing more different from 1914 is conceivable, and it would falsify the picture not to mention that one has fairly often heard sighs for the opportunity of winning glory and renown. It is a dull war, by comparison the front in Lorraine and in the Northern Vosges is adventurous. But this war, which for the rank and file consists so largely of sheer navvying, has revealed in the French soldier a prodigious capacity for dogged work. What he has here accomplished in these uneventful and tedious months amount roughly to this—while a German invasion of Alsace in September would have been hazardous, it would now appear to be hazardous to a higher degree of improbability. Not that the smallest measure of probability is ruled out by the French Command.

This was interestingly demonstrated to the visitor in an excursion to the friendly frontier of Switzerland. Less celebrated than the Belfort Gap, there is a secondary gap, near Swiss territory. There were indications in November that the Germans were not indisposed to contemplate the venture in the north-west corner of Switzerland. If the charming scenery in this gap had really induced them to say that pastoral land a visit they would not have taken the French by surprise. It would have been an adventure



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entailing far more than ordinary mountaineering risks; and a large number of industrious Frenchmen are engaged in rendering any such excursion less and less attractive as each month goes by.

Becoming More French

There is in Alsace an interesting side aspect of the war. It raises the question—will not Alsace in the future be more French than ever before? In peacetime one always had a feeling there of a little country of independent character. But to-day a broad strip of Alsace along the river has been evacuated. The inhabitants have taken refuge in the interior of France. The younger people at least must be losing their accent and becoming more "Frenchified," while the immense number of French troops quartered in the non-evacuated towns and villages of the country must also, as time goes on, make for Franco-Alsatian unification.

The local newspapers are published in German, and in such a town as Colmar one has the feeling of being in Switzerland. But the people have welcomed the troops wholeheartedly; while the Alsatians' contribution to the ranks of the French Army is very appreciable.

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SOVIETS READY FOR ACTION AS BRITISH WARSHIPS MANOEUVRE

Naval Units Reported Off Petsamo

PARIS, FEB. 22 (REUTER).—THE SITUATION IN THE FAR NORTH AS A RESULT OF THE REPORTED PRESENCE OF BRITISH WARSHIPS IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD OF PETSAMO, HAS BECOME SO SHARPLY AGGRAVATED, THAT DRAMATIC EVENTS MAY BE EXPECTED ANY MOMENT, DECLARES A CORRESPONDENT OF THE "AFTON BLADET".

The Soviet Government, it is reported in Moscow, will not take any action against Great Britain so long as the British fleet moves outside Russian territorial limits, which are being closely guarded by Red naval units. But immediately the British enter Russian waters, the Red navy will start war operations.

Similarly armed conflict might occur if the British were to sink any Russian merchantmen.

The correspondent says that there is uneasiness in Moscow at the reported sudden appearance of British naval units near Petsamo.

It is not believed, however, that the British warships will start operations against the Soviets.

It is thought in Moscow that the aim of the British warships is to hinder German-Russian trade via Murmansk.

Red Fleet Ready

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The Russian Navy Commander, M. Kuznetsov, has left for Murmansk by air, according to the Moscow correspondent of the "Afton Bladet".

The same correspondent declares that the whole Red fleet in the Arctic Ocean is prepared for action.

Air Battle Rumours

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (UP).—An extra edition of the "Afton-Bladet" reports from Oslo that there were rumours of an air battle off Petsamo this morning.

Two squadrons of bombers are reported to have participated in the battle. They were at such a great height it was impossible to identify their nationalities.

Air Battle In Progress

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERGEN, Feb. 22 (UP).—A heavy air battle is reported to be in progress off the north coast of Norway between planes of unidentified nationalities.

Reports from Stavanger say a squadron of submarines are cruising off Jostedal Fjord in which the Altmark is aground.

TRAWLER SUNK

2 Officers, 15 Ratings Reported Missing

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—An Admiralty communique, issued at 10.03 p.m., announces that H.M. trawler, Fifeshire (Acting Sub-Lieutenant J. V. Seares Wood) has been sunk as the result of enemy aircraft attacks.

It is feared that there is only one survivor, Able Seaman Albert Edward Bowers.

Two officers and 15 ratings are missing and are feared lost.

Tara Survivors Landed

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Survivors from the Netherlands 4,700-ton ship, Tara, 23 in number, were landed to-day on the north coast of Spain.

The ship was off Cape Finisterre at about 2 a.m., the survivors report, when they were awakened by a loud explosion.

As they were launching their lifeboats, there was a second explosion. One life-boat with 12 other members of the crew is still missing.

The Tara was bound from the Argentine to the Netherlands with a cargo of wheat for the Netherlands Government.

HEROES HONoured

Ajax, Achilles, Exeter Officers Decorated

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Further awards for distinguished and gallant service in the River Plate battle were announced in the "London Gazette" to-day.

The D.S.O. has been awarded to the Commanders of H.M.S. Ajax, Achilles and Exeter. They are Captain Douglas H. Everett, Commander Douglas M. L. Neame and Commander Robert R. Graham.

The D.S.O. has also been awarded to Lieut. Ian Dudley De'Ath, of the Royal Marines on H.M.S. Achilles, and to Engineer Commander Charles E. Simms, of H.M.S. Exeter.

Seventeen Awarded D.S.C.

Seventeen Distinguished Service Crosses have been awarded to officers on these ships. They include Lieut. Commander Desmond P. Dreyer, Lieut. Norman Kelsoe Todd, Lieut. Edgar D. G. Lewin, all of H.M.S. Ajax; to Lieut. George G. Cowburn, Surgeon-Lieut. Colin G. Hunter, of H.M.S. Achilles; and to Commander Charles J. Smith, Commander Richard B. Jennings, Lieut. Aldan E. Toase, Surgeon-Lieut. Roger W. G. Lancashire, Midshipman Archibald Cameron and Midshipman Robert W. D. Don, all of H.M.S. Exeter.

A number of conspicuous gallantry and distinguished service medals have also been awarded and a number of names mentioned in despatches.

SNOW MANTLES GREEK CAPITAL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ATHENS, Feb. 22 (UP).—The cold wave which is sweeping Greece has covered Athens with snow for the first time in five years.

A gale is raging over the Aegean and Ionian Seas and all ships have postponed their departures from Piraeus.

Elementary schools are closed. The temperature in some places is as low as 10 degrees below zero.

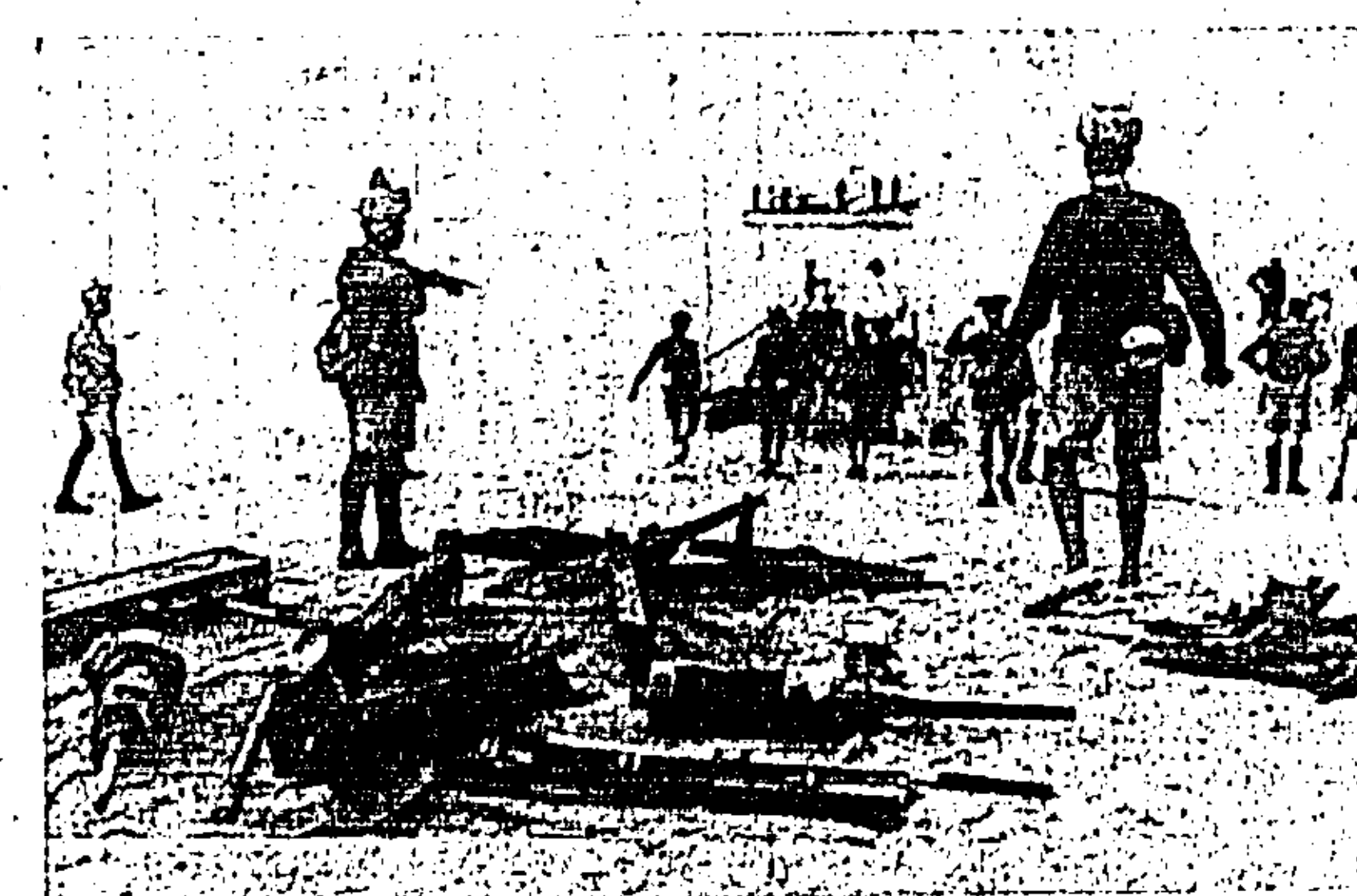
Full Parliament Next Week

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The Prime Minister announced that the House of Commons would sit as a full Parliamentary session next week and similarly up to Easter.

HONGKONG PREPARES: Below we publish further photographs of a new series, specially taken by Norman Soong, of Hongkong's defence preparations. Those photographs will appear daily in the "Telegraph".



A WIRING PARTY of Tommies erecting a barbed-wire barricade on one of Hongkong's beaches. Possible vulnerable shore areas are being thus protected.



PROBLEMS OF DEFENCE against shore landing attacks are worked out during manoeuvres. A unit of Indian artillery lands with the aid of Navy units.

HEINKEL BOMBERS TRAPPED IN RAID

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Feb. 22 (UP).—Heinkel bombers ran into a virtual trap of concentrated anti-aircraft gunfire and speedy Spitfire pursuit planes when they attempted to repeat yesterday's raid on east coast shipping to-day.

Powerful R.A.F. counter-attacks not only repulsed the raiders but succeeded in bringing down two of their bombers.

For the first time, the Germans felt the full weight of the Admiralty's recent plan of equipping small coastal vessels with anti-aircraft guns.

An unsuspecting Heinkel which launched an attack on a small trawler off the Norfolk coast found that its victim, far from being unarmed, was equipped with a deadly sting.

The gun-crew of the trawler remained under cover until the Nazi plane swooped down to "finish her off" at close range. They then opened such a concen-

trated blast of machine-gun and A.A. fire on the plane that, had it not been for the enemy's new bullet-proof petrol tanks another victim would have been added to to-day's British successes.

Badly Peppered

The Nazi plane was so badly peppered by the trawler's machine-gun fire that she made no further attempt to attack but made off in the direction of the continent.

The trawlers Emulator, Crystal, Cardew and Acuba were strafed off the east coast.

Another Heinkel is also reported to have machine-gunned and bombed.

Reactions To Sink-on-Sight Policy

German Ruthlessness Angers the Neutrals

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Neutral indignation at the sinking of neutral ships by Germany is growing more and more.

Norway is still the greatest sufferer, the latest two losses bringing her total, since the war began, to 51 ships totalling over 175,000 tons, while the lives of 350 Norwegian seamen have been lost.

Norway lodged an official protest with Berlin on February 8.

The Danish Government has forbidden Danish ships to sail in the North Sea south of Latitude 61 except in the company of other neutral ships.

Swedish Foreign Minister as a crushing indictment of Nazi methods. The Foreign Minister pointed out that as a result of the Nazi sea war Sweden had lost 22 ships totalling 175,000 tons.

WHAT REDS DEMANDED

Destruction Of The Mannerheim Line

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).

Soviet demands on Finland before the Red Army invaded the country included a demand for the destruction of the Mannerheim Line, according to the Finnish Minister in London, speaking at a luncheon of the English-Speaking Union.

The Minister said that Finland had agreed to far-reaching demands, but it was not enough because the Soviet Government insisted on Finland destroying its main line of defence, the Mannerheim Line; on getting possession of Finland's principal port; on dominating Finland's only ice-free port thousands of miles from Leningrad, and on the right to contain in Finland.

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A large merchantman off Kinnaird Head. Details are lacking.

Two Bombers Downed

The first Nazi bomber brought down met its fate at Stabb's Head, north of the Firth of Forth. It crashed in a field near a farm on the outskirts of Corbridgeham, 12 miles north of Edinburgh.

The second bomber fell into the sea off Northumberland. The latest R.A.F. successes raise the total number of raiders shot since September 1 to 40. In addition, nine others were so badly damaged that they are believed to have been forced down at sea whilst attempting to return home.

Britain thus far lost not one plane in the engagements off the coast or over England and Scotland.

Nazi Plane Shot Following Chase

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—A Heinkel plane which was shot down in the sea to-day was destroyed after a 30 mile chase through the clouds by Hawker and Hurricane fighters.

The pilots saw the plane break up and dive into the water. The pilots are members of a squadron which recently brought down three Heinkels in two days.

The flight lieutenant who led the formation helped to shoot down a raider which crashed near Whitby three weeks ago.

The Heinkel which crashed at Stabb's Head was chased by Spitfires and crashed after one of its engines stopped working.

The pilot set the machine on fire before the police arrived to arrest the crew.

Allied Air Successes

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Reuter's special correspondent with the R.A.F. states that the Allied fighters and anti-aircraft guns have shot down 47 German bombers in France since the war began.

Unpleasant Surprise

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Two Nazi planes, which aimed bombs at a British trawler off the Norfolk coast, got an unpleasant surprise to-day.

The trawler was alone about a mile from the shore and seemed an easy prey. The bombers flew in low to attack and received a hail of bullets from the vessel's new machine-gun.

The planes quickly disappeared and the trawler went on her way unharmed.

There was considerable air activity on the Norfolk coast after the attack. British fighter aircraft were seen roaring out to sea and later an explosion was heard.

Raid On Heligoland

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—It is reported that British planes, flying over Borkum and Heligoland, attacked several German torpedo boats. The results of the attacks are not yet known.

The Royal Air Force is stated to have made many reconnaissance flights in the North Sea during the last day or two.

Murder Case Appeal

Shanghai, Feb. 22. The appeal of Private Eckford, of the Seaforth Highlanders, against the death sentence for the murder of Sergeant James Davis on November 4 will be heard by the High Court on February 27.

The Court will consist of Sir Alan Mossop, Judge of the Supreme Court for China, Mr. P. Grant Jones, Assistant Judge, and Sir Athol MacGregor, Chief Justice of Hongkong, who is coming here specially for the appeal.

Eckford was found guilty and sentenced to death on January 11.

United Press.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Fifty-first Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Registered Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building, on Thursday, 21st March, 1940, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1939, electing Directors and Auditors and fixing their fees.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 9th March to 21st March, 1940, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,
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"That the Capital of the Company be increased from its present Capital of \$6,000,000 'Hong Kong currency' divided into 600,000 shares of \$10 each to \$18,000,000 'Hong Kong currency' divided into 1,800,000 shares of \$10 each and that such additional shares shall rank in all respects pari passu with the original Capital of the Company."

And for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolutions, namely:—

"1. That the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to capitalise the sum of \$3,000,000 'Hong Kong currency' part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund and to allot to the Members holding shares of the Company as on the 1st day of July, 1940, in respect of the net amount capitalised fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent 'nominal value in the proper' of one share for every two shares of the Company then held by such persons respectively and that such shares so allotted shall rank for dividends as from the 1st day of July, 1940.

"2. That if, on such distribution as aforesaid, any person would be entitled to a fractional share the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing fractional shares, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share shall, at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to the fractional shares making up such share."

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HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB

TENNIS TOURNAMENT 1940

Entries close on To-morrow, 24th February, 1940, at 6 p.m.

No Huntin' Allowed In France

THE FRENCH authorities will not allow hunting folk in Britain to send packs of hounds for the benefit of fox-hunters and beaglers in the B.E.F.

"The Ministry of the Interior are flatly turning down all applications from officers and men in France who wish to continue the sport over there as means of exercise and training," a former M.P.H. said.

"It seems unlikely that we shall be able to send any hounds across the Channel after all."

A British officer writing from France in this week's "Horse and Hound" states that he has been refused permission to hunt over certain areas. He asked why.

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1	No. 4231	Between To Kwa Wan Road, and Ha Tung Road, South West of Kowloon Island Lot No. 4186.	N. 100 feet, S. 100 feet, E. 100 feet, W. 100 feet.	40,000	40,000	\$19,875

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12.38 Tchaikovsky—Francesca da Rimini, Op. 32—Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra of New York conducted by John Barbirolli.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Reginald Dixon at the Organ.

—Dancing Time No. 5 and Dixon Hits No. 21.

1.15 Duke Ellington and His Orchestra in Dance Music.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 The London Piano-Accordion Band.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan—"H.M.S. Pinafore".

The B. C. Theatre Orchestra directed by Stanford Robinson; "The Mikado", Leo Sheel, Henry A. Lytton and George Baker, and Derek Oldham; "Ruddiger", Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra.

6.28 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.30 Dance Music.

7.05 London Relay—"Swing, Brother Swing" by Billy Bennett.

7.30 London Relay—"The News".

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

7.03 Studio—Recital by Father O'Mara (Baritone) and A. T. Lay (Piano).

1. To the Sea, A. T. Lay at the Piano; 2. (a) A Fairy Story by The Fire, (b) O Golden Age of Innocence, Father O'Mara (Baritone) with Piano accompaniment; 3. A. D. 1600, A. T. Lay at the Piano; 4. (a) A Border Home, (b) Thanks be to God, Father O'Mara (Baritone) with Piano accompaniment.

8.30 Haydn—Symphony No. 96 in D Major—Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Bruno Walter.

8.51 Studio—Talk on Psychology by Father G. Byrne, S. J.—"My Own Back Parlour: What I Did and What I Didn't Do There."

9.03 Light Orchestra—Musette Et Tambourin, Menuet, Orchestre Symphonique de Paris, Gypsy Serenade, Tango Torero, George Boulanger and His Orchestra.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"World Affairs".

9.45 B.B.C. Recording—"Monsieur Beaucaire". Adapted for Broadway from Booth Tarkington's novel and the light opera libretto by Frederick Lonsdale, by Gordon McConnell. Lyrics by Adrian Ross. Music by Andre Messager. Produced by Gordon McConnell and Rex Haworth.

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"GHOST STORIES" BY JAPANESE

Report Deaths of Several Chinese Generals

Chinese Generals

"Ghost stories" issued by the Japanese announcing the death of several Chinese generals were emphatically denied by a Chinese military spokesman at Chungking yesterday in an interview with the "Central News."

According to a Japanese broadcast from Tokyo on Wednesday, Lieut. General Liu Shang-chih, a divisional commander, committed suicide at Maping in Central Hupeh on February 19; General Liu Chien-hau was killed in a Japanese air raid; Lieut. General Yang Yu-tung was executed by a firing squad on February 18; and Lieut. General Li Tsu-pui is missing.

Describing these reports as fabrications, the Chinese military spokesman stated that the Japanese have only made a "laughing stock of themselves by issuing such ghost stories."

CENSORSHIP INFURIATES

FROM PAGE ONE

No Such Names. He declared that in the Chinese Army no divisional commanders named Yang Yu-tung and Li Tsu-pui. Of the other names mentioned by the Japanese, Lieut. General Liu Shang-chih is very much alive. He visited Chungking recently.

General Liu Chien-hau, who was alleged to have been killed in a Japanese air raid, is directing operations at the front and has just sent a telegram to Chungking reporting the success of his troops.

There has been severe fighting near the Chientung River in the last few days. The Japanese troops sailing forth from Szechuan opposite Hangchow have all been driven back, according to a Chinese report from Kinkwa.

Chinese Retake Towns. Chientsingchen, Yachienchen, Kun-lin, Luchienchen and Yichienchen, points around Szechuan, have all been recovered by the Chinese. It is stated, Some 2,500 Japanese are reported to have been killed as the result of Chinese counter-attacks in this sector, while booty captured included four rapid-firing guns, 12 heavy machine-guns, over 100 army horses and a quantity of rifles and other arms.

On the southern front, it is declared that about a division of Japanese troops, defeated recently in South Kwangsi, have boarded troopships in Yanchow-Hay. In the recent fighting in this province, heavy casualties were inflicted upon the retreating Japanese at Totong, Tongpo and Situng on the Nanning-Yanchow highway.

The Chinese also claim that remnant Japanese troops on the Nanning-Pinyang and Nanning-Wurm highways have been "mopped up" and that fighting is now in progress between Santung and Situng, north-east of Nanning.

MILLION RUSSIANS READY FOR DRIVE

FROM PAGE ONE

fortress of the Mannerheim Line on the northern side of the Isthmus. The Russians claim to have captured the town of Bjorkoe, but admit that the fortress is still in Finnish hands.

It is reported that the Battle of Taipale will have a decisive outcome to-day. The official Finnish communiqué states that the Russians vigorously attacked Moulanjervi, Vuoksa and Taipale, the battle extending into the night. Red losses at Taipale alone were 2,000 men.

"Russian attacks on the Isthmus have been repulsed, but fighting is still raging fiercely throughout the night," the communiqué adds. "The enemy lost over 200 vehicles and 13 planes at Pitkanen Islands. The enemy have launched an attack on the railway at Kaemmeri."

18 Miles Off, Say Finns

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Soviet troops pushing along the main railway in the Karelian Isthmus reached a point within 18 miles of Viborg, according to a Finnish communiqué issued to-night.

This is the first indication of the extent of the recent Finnish withdrawal to their new positions in the Mannerheim Line.

The deepest point of the Soviet advance is some distance west of the village of Summa.

Since the start of their offensive in this sector the Soviets appear to have gained between five and ten miles at a cost of great losses in men and material.

While the Finns claim to be firmly entrenched in their new positions they are evidently being hard pressed.

The Russian drive has now widened across the whole of the Karelian Isthmus but at the eastern side near Taipale, where its main force is being expended, the Red Army seems to be meeting with little success.

The Finns claim that the Russian losses in this sector included 4,500 killed during the past week.

British Losses At Sea: Nazi Claim

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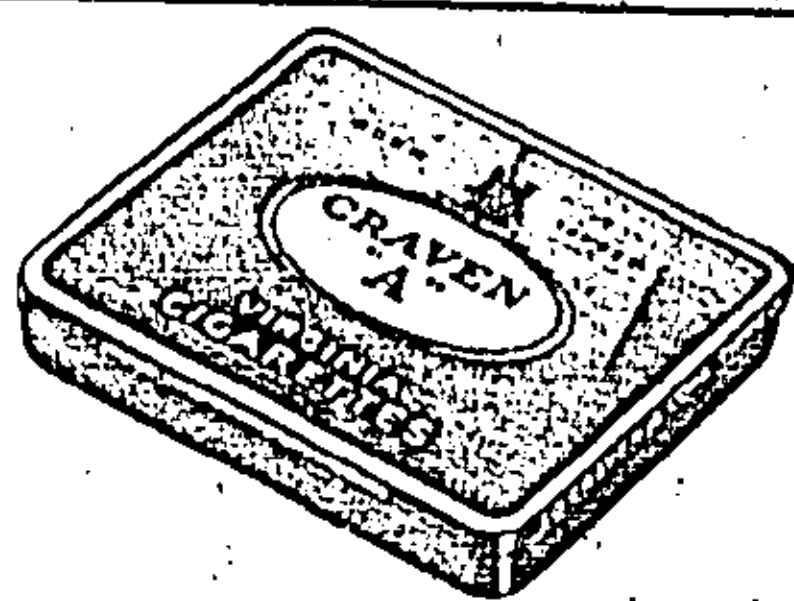
BERLIN, Feb. 22 (Dome).—According to an official announcement issued by the German High Command during the week ending February 19, no less than 129,000 tons of British shipping were sunk.

The "Daily Telegraph" stresses the Foreign Minister's remark that 63 per cent. of the total losses were of ships sailing between neutral ports.

Instead of protesting against Mr. Chamberlain's "arrogance," says the paper, the Norwegian press might be better employed in calling attention to the losses inflicted by the Nazis on their countrymen.

The "News Chronicle" says that the aim of the Nazis is the total destruction of Sweden's overseas trade except with Germany, and the Swedish Foreign Minister's statement can

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Accent on Youth



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A huge bow of the two tones of the marquisette in the only ornamentation on the gown of flesh and moss-green silk marquisette. The two colours, set together in stripes, give an eerie effect.



Marquisette And Lace Popular For Gowns

By ELEANOR GUNN

NEW YORK—It takes the younger generation to put on a fashion show when they step out in formal clothes. The other night, while making the rounds of the smartest supper clubs in New York, we kept an eye open for clothes the youngsters were wearing. And we learned a lot.

Nothing old-maidish about those girls! They know their age, and dress for it, rather than above it. Needless to say, the youthful gowns in soft pastel shades were lovely. I noticed particularly that subtle fuchsia, pink, flesh and gray are lovely—on youthful figures. Many gowns of marquisette were in these colours. Another noteworthy item was the lack of ornate decoration, most of the girls relying on their trim figures to set off the gowns.

Older Women Distinguished

By way of consolation, however, the older women at general parties quite outshone the youngsters. My informant, a man, I'd have you know, assured me that the older women were distinguished, not only because of exquisite clothes, for the young crowd wore that kind too, but because they were actually better looking and carried themselves with the confident air that comes from knowing it. So, if another is often jealous, or at least envious of her daughter, it might well be the other way around.

I hope you remember how much I've been writing about gray, for if you haven't you have missed one of the important colours of the year. Debutantes wear clouds of gray tulle, some without showing a brighter lining. A pale gray lace, sans shoulder straps, had the top of its heart-shaped bodice finished with cherry ribbon run through beading under the lace. Another dress was in misty tulle with rose coloured bowknots scattered at intervals over the very wide skirt.

There is much gray, not only on filmy tulle and fine laces but a deeper gray, almost taupe, in stiff silks usually. One such dress had a long fitted bodice onto which the very full and flaring skirt was joined at the hip line with cartridge pleats. The repetition of baby blue must again be reported—most of the blue dresses are of net or pleated chiffon and the newer looking ones have draped bodices.

Velvet With Ermine

While each evening produces at least one or two velvet dresses, usually black, velvet is less in use this winter than in past ones. One of the youngest of the girls dining with her parents at a small party wore a black velvet gown, the square neck of which was banded with ermine for, as I think I've made clear, it's an ermine year. Many evening dresses are trimmed with it or with mink or sable. A very striking dress noted was of oyster white faille, the long sleeves of which had deep gauntlet cuffs of ocelot.

Speaking of long sleeves, there is a decided falling off in the number of evening suits and covered-up dresses.

Meatless Meals

It is not correct to suppose, as do so use of milk, cheese, eggs, nuts, peas, many housewives, that a meal without beans, lentils, macaroni, whole wheat unsound.

Meatless meals can be just as grain cereals, bread, proprietary healthful as those which contain meat, breakfast foods, sugar, honey, fruits, and they prove more economical, in potatoes, and other vegetables. Foods winter time, when health depends so rich in fats are olives, nuts, butter, much upon maintaining the internal cream, vegetable oils and fats.

Defences and disease-resistance, it is particularly important that our meals should help all they can in this direction.

In a meal without meat one does not get that feeling of repletion. But a meatless meal digests much more slowly and its food value becomes available at a more normal rate. Consequently, hunger is satisfied more completely, and fewer meals will be necessary.

All That Is Needed

In the average family, three well-balanced meals a day, taken at suitably spaced intervals, will supply all that is needed in the nature of food.

From a health standpoint, meatless fare, being richer in vitamins, minerals and other elements that regulate the body, gives an immunity to the must never stop boiling while they are cooking. Drain thoroughly as prepare meals which are properly balanced.

Each meal should supply the full range of food elements needed by the body for the perpetuation of its substance and its activity. These elements are protein, carbohydrates, fats, and minerals.

In meatless meals you can supply the protein part of your diet by the

Carbohydrate foods are all whole-grain cereals, bread, proprietary healthful as those which contain meat, breakfast foods, sugar, honey, fruits, and they prove more economical, in potatoes, and other vegetables. Foods winter time, when health depends so rich in fats are olives, nuts, butter, much upon maintaining the internal cream, vegetable oils and fats.

Foods that are rich in mineral elements and body-regulating substances, especially whole wheat, grain, bread, buttermilk, milk and dairy foods.

A Balanced Breakfast

A meatless breakfast can be simply balanced with fruit, cereals, and a dairy product, such as cream, nut cream, or eggs. Lunch may consist of nut savoury, lentil roast, cheese dish, pulse rissoles, or baked potato, together with the usual vegetables and a sweet to follow.

It is doubly important, with meat rationing, to cook your vegetables conservatively, so that the valuable elements are not cooked out. All vegetables, except old potatoes, must be put in fast-boiling water, and it must never stop boiling while they are cooking. Drain thoroughly as soon as they are cooked.

Spinach is a valuable blood-forming substitute for meat. Wash it well in several waters, and cook in just the water that clings to it after shaking, with a little salad oil. Cook lid on the pan. Chop it finely before fast and for a short time only, with serving or pass through a sieve, and reheat with a little butter and cream.

I. H.

Make Your Table Attractive

ATTRACTIVE meal tables often rely much on ingenuity for their charm. "Something different" is what we all want to achieve. But above all, the general appearance of the table must be pleasing without looking over-dressed or extravagant in arrangement.

Coloured cloths or mats with white china is one excellent idea. The linen can be as gay and colourful or as softly tinted as you please.

Two-colour effects are also achieved in this way, the china being of one colour and the linen of another—both being entirely unadorned. It is easy to produce effects of this kind because one-colour china is often to be met with just now. Flower mats are very decorative when matching or plain-coloured china is used. The mats may be of plain linen, embroidered in bright, clear-coloured flowers, each mat having a different design, or parchment mats, showing flower paintings, may be chosen instead.

Tea cloths are often adorned with flowers embroidered in coloured thread scattered all over the surface. For the dining and luncheon table there is a new kind of glass, made in all kinds of servers and dishes. It gives a charming air to the table, blending well with the other appointments.

Few Flowers, Well Set

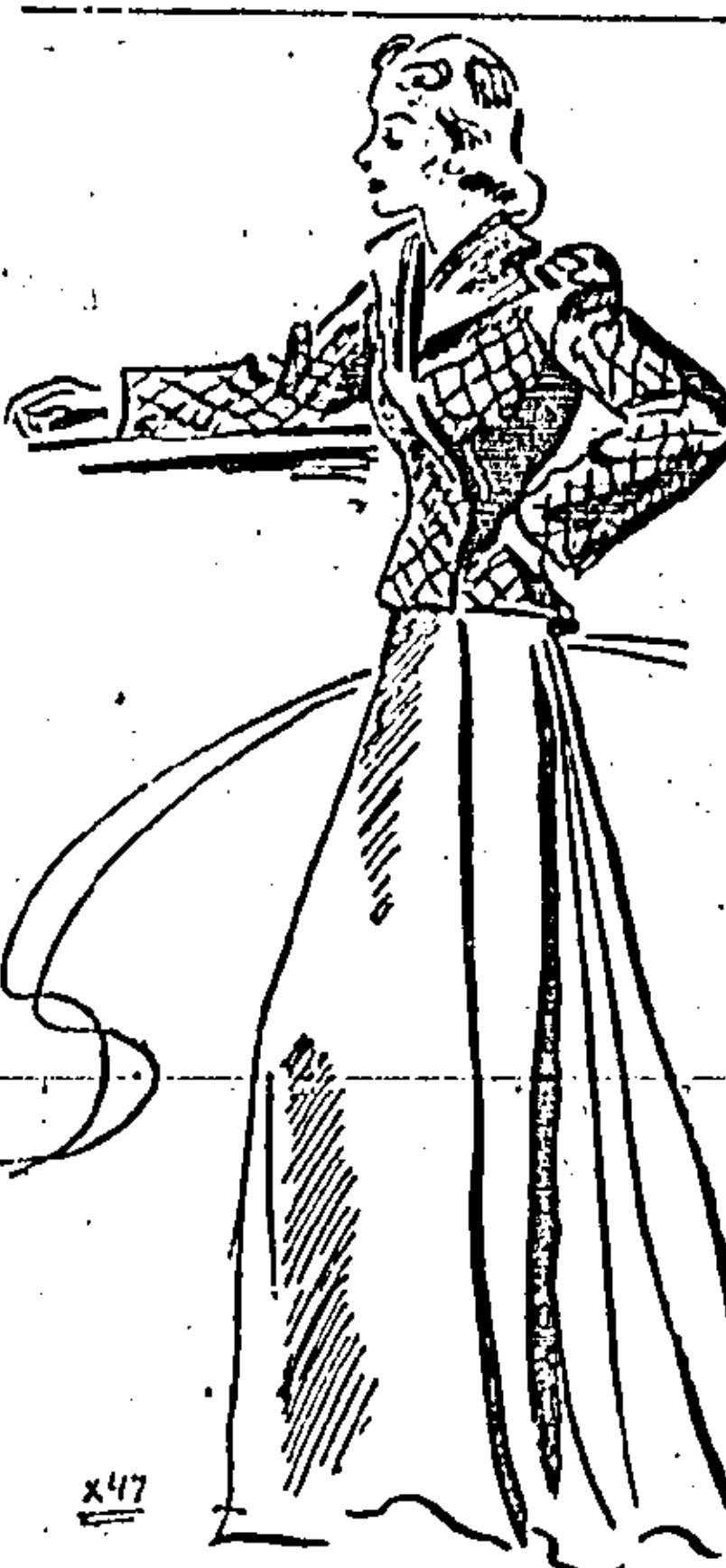
The decoration in the centre of the table also gives much scope to your ingenuity.

A few flowers may be eked out very gracefully by those long, slender candles fixed in a flower holder. Among them, green or white candles look lovely with white flowers in a white bowl with a few dark green leaves.

Wreaths of flowers around a small circular mirror make a lovely centre piece for a round table. Three or five candles should be fixed at intervals among the flowers. If you do not want to lay the flowers on to the table, they can be arranged in a circular trough.

When you have not any flowers, green leaves with red berries (real or artificial) together with slender candles to match the berries can make a charming substitute.

K. P.



Rayon slipper satin makes the full-skirted slip of this gown, and quilted satin in contrasting colour forms the fitted peplum-back jacket.

FRENCH TROOPS

Paris, Feb. 22. The Government has decided on a decree to call up fewer men in the next batch of conscripts than originally intended. The next call-up for the land and air forces will comprise only three months of the 1919 class.

This modifies the decree issued stating that the call-up would cover six months of the 1919 class.—*Reuter Bulletin.*

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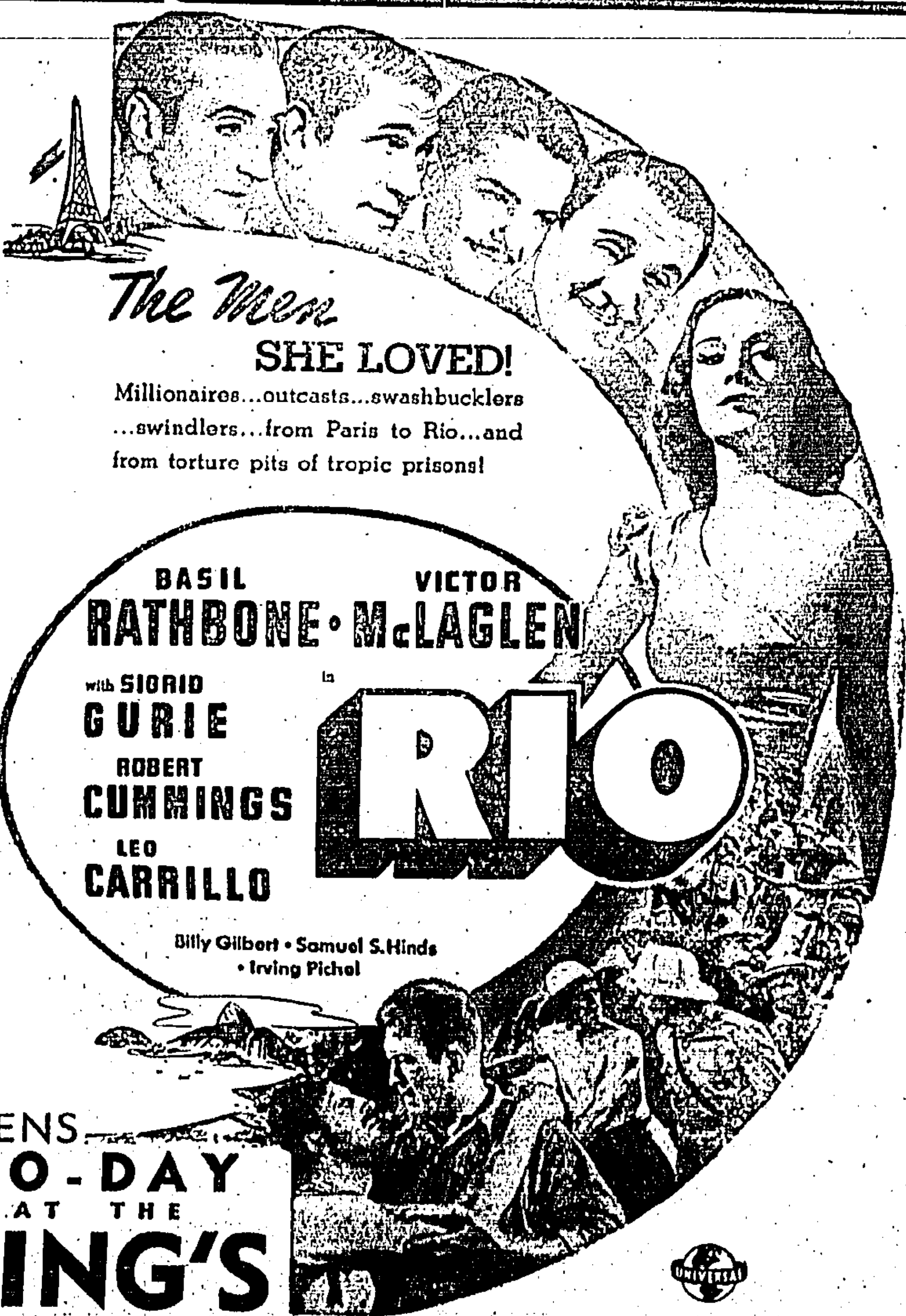
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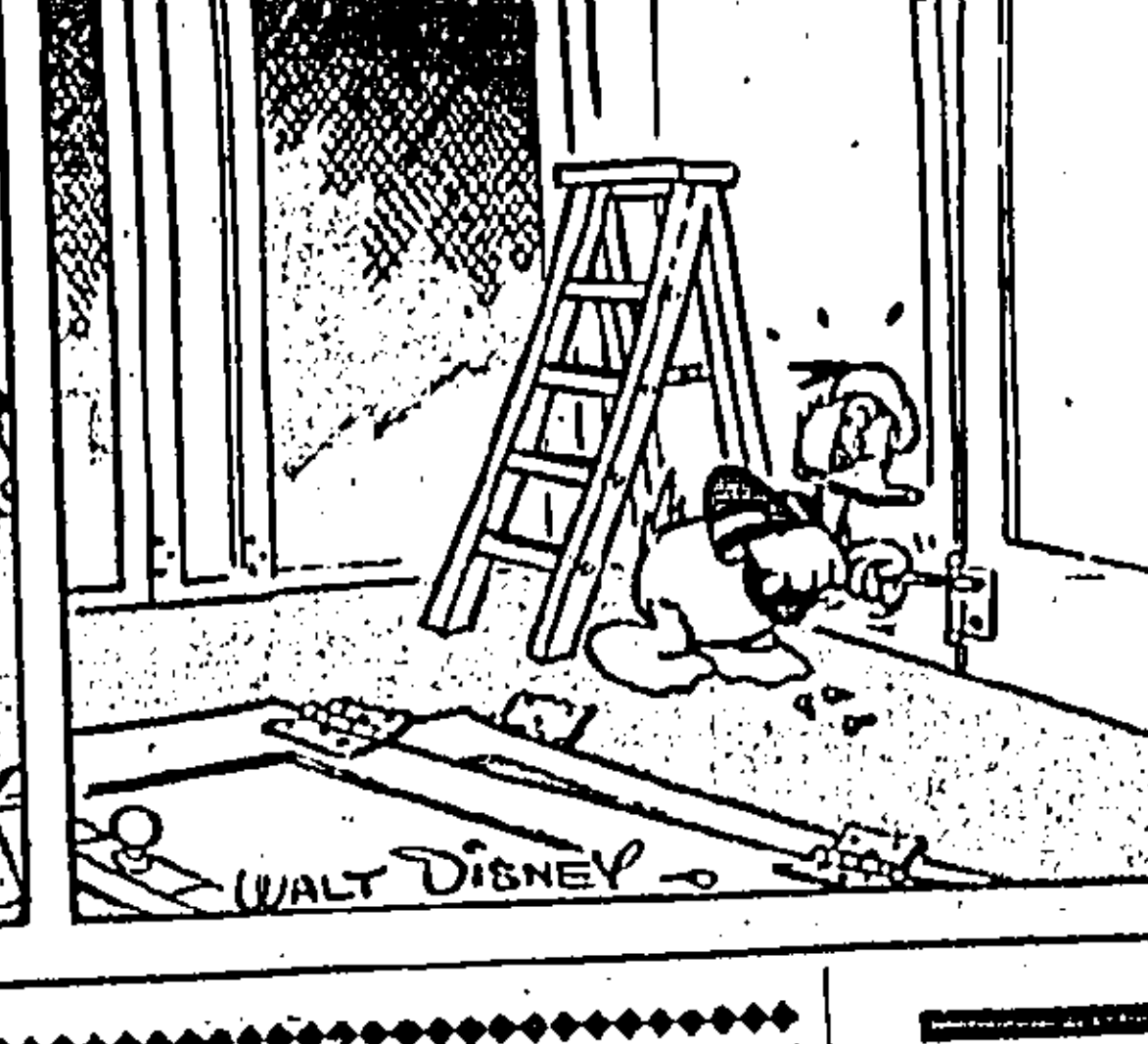
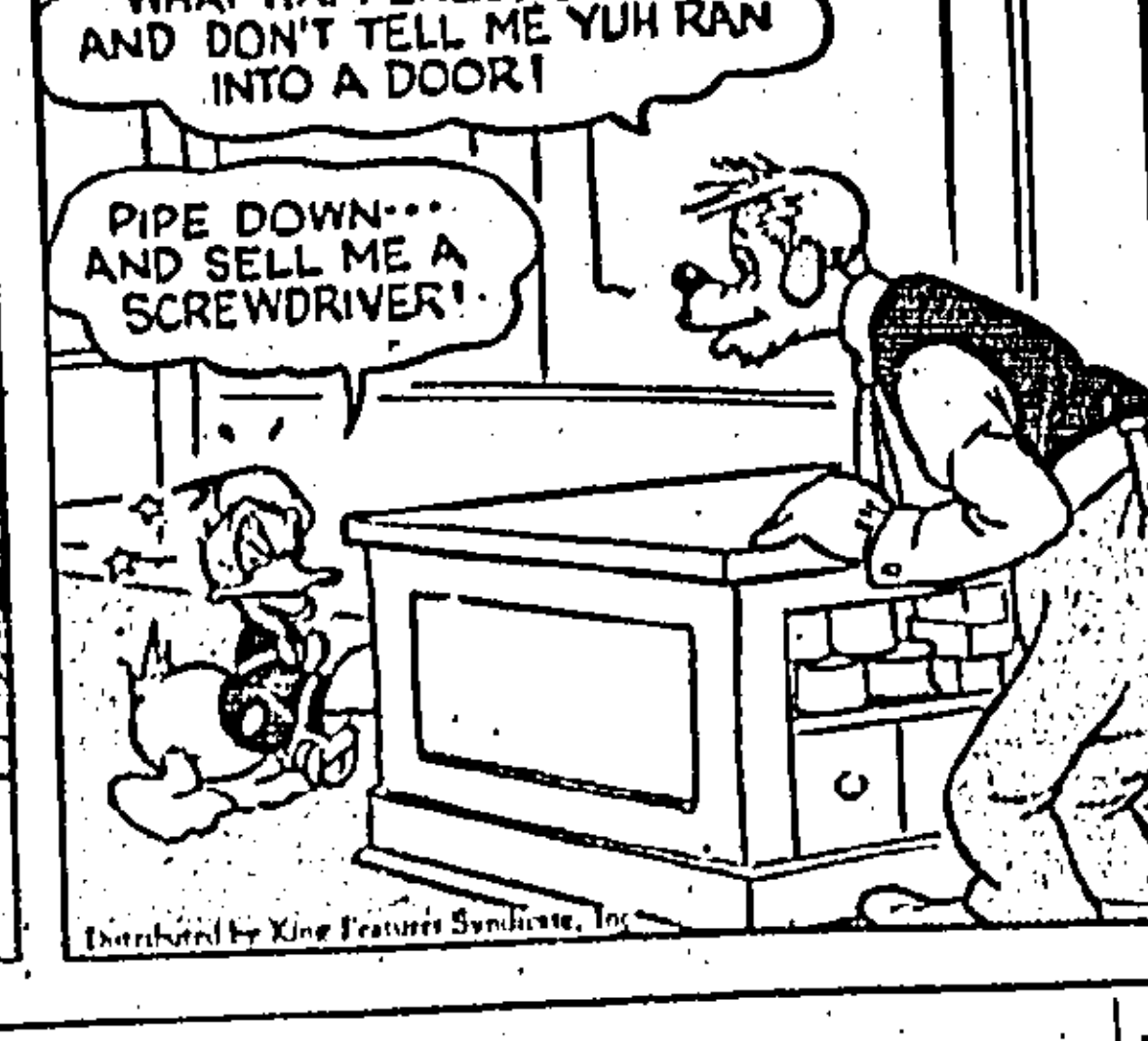
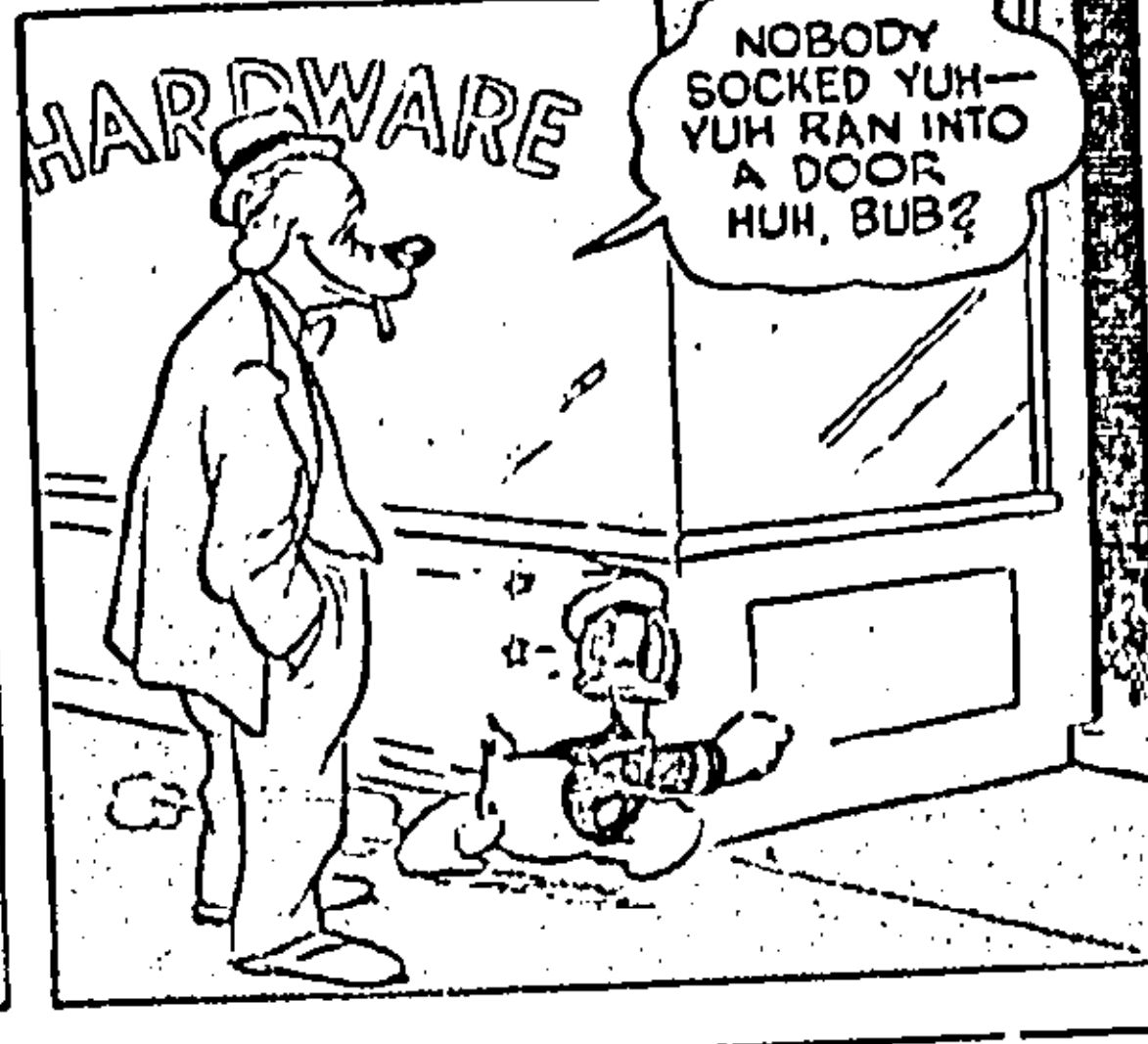
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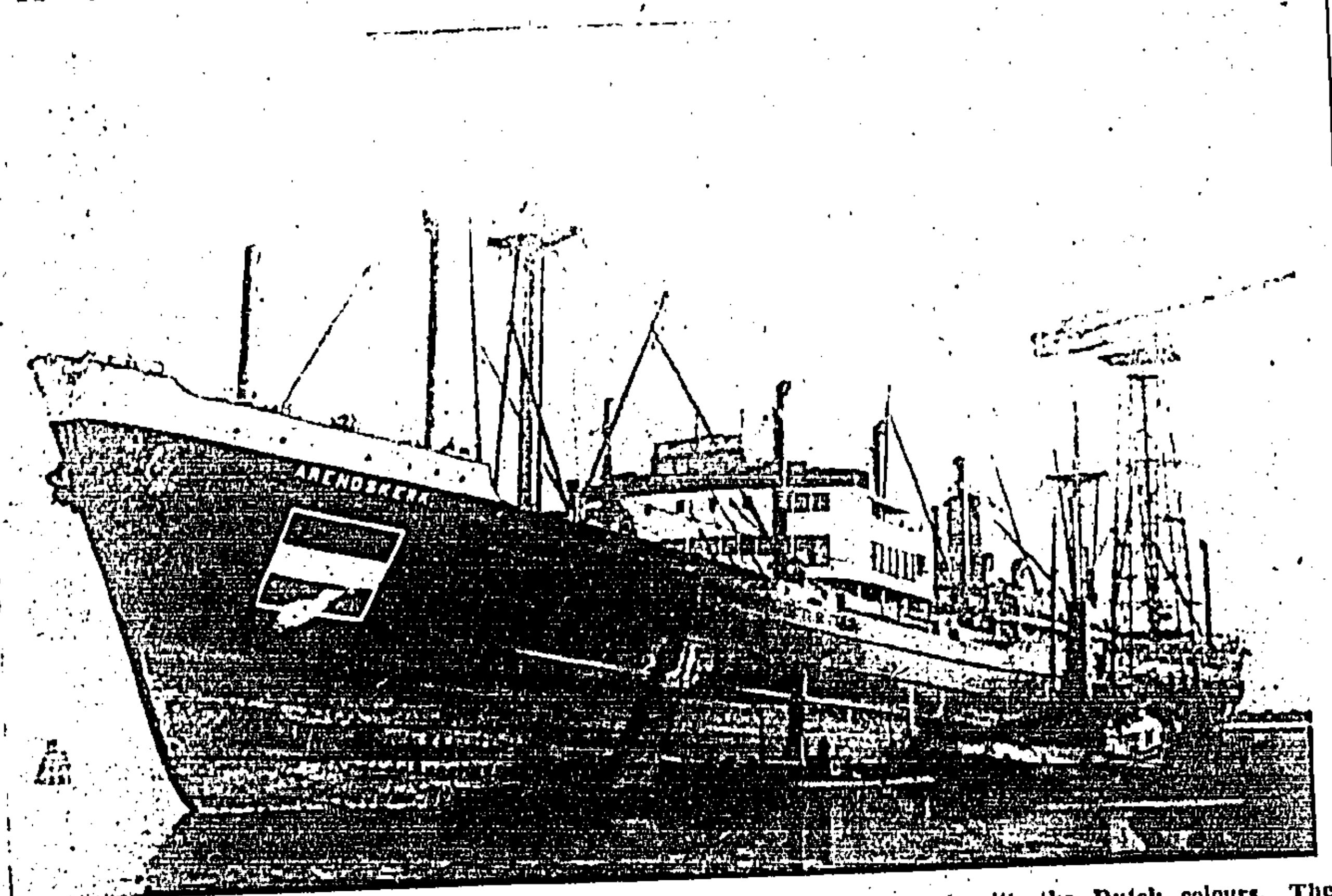
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THE DUTCH motorship Arendskerck, showing the bow clearly painted with the Dutch colours. The picture was taken just before she left a Dutch port on the fatal trip, in which she was sunk: Germany's contempt for the neutrals is exemplified in the torpedoing of this ship. —Dornier.

[Enemy aircraft were active off our coasts during the day, attempting to carry out reconnaissance. Precautionary measures were taken and active defences put into operation, including anti-aircraft guns. An enemy aircraft was forced down. It was a Dornier flying-boat. —Official Bulletin.]

And here is the story of the fight:—

Two aircraft of the Royal Air Force Coastal Command recently engaged in battle two big twin-engined German Dornier 18 flying-boats. One enemy machine was destroyed and the second driven off with no loss to the British.

Flying in formation on reconnaissance patrol, one of the two British aircraft sighted a German flying-boat. The British aircraft warned its companion, and the two formed up for attack. Then in turn they dived on the Dornier, getting in bursts of gunfire on the enemy's engines and fuselage. The Dornier made a steep turn so as to bring both front and rear guns into action, the German gunner succeeding in getting home a shot on one British attacker, but without effect.

The two British aircraft also turned, and climbed into position for further attacks. One dived head on to the enemy, landing a burst of fire into his starboard wing. The other followed up with a steep dive from behind, firing continuously until within a few yards of the Dornier and "taking it at pointblank range." Whilst the enemy repeated his steep-turn manoeuvre, the first British attacker climbed above him and dived again from another angle, getting in a burst of fire on the cockpit before pulling out into a climbing turn. The second British aircraft then attacked again, landing bursts of gunfire into both the engines of the German, but receiving in return another bullet in the rear part of the fuselage.

End Of A Dornier

With blue smoke streaming from its engines the Dornier, out of control, dived into the sea. One of the British aircraft then returned to its base to investigate any damage done to the British aircraft, which immediately dived to the attack with the sun behind it. Both the British pilot and his rear gunner fired bursts, hitting the enemy's engines and fuselage. This second Dornier attempted defensive tactics similar to those of the first, turning steeply to meet the

Nazi 'Terror' Ultimatum Angers Dutch

WITH brutal swiftness Nazi Germany has made good her threat to take "active measures" against the Dutch if they refused to knuckle under to demands for a pro-German "neutrality."

"Germany, fighting for her existence, does not hesitate to regard the attitude of passive neutrality of certain countries as deliberate assistance to the enemy," said the Nazi spokesman in Berlin.

Shortly afterwards, the 8,000-ton Dutch motor-ship Takandoen was torpedoed in the Channel and several of her crew of 68 are missing.

A wave of horror swept through Holland when the news of the sinking became known. But so far from being intimidated by the German threats, the Dutch showed more determination than ever to resist them.

Only a few hours after she had rescued 34 survivors of the Takandoen, the Belgian steamer Louis Shield (6,000 tons) ran ashore in a gale near Start Point.

Heavy seas battered her as she lay on the eastern end of the beach, lying heavily and completely at the mercy of the storm.

Eight men who were lost when the Washington (209 tons), an Admiralty trawler, was mined off the East Coast are thought to be the first victims of the mines dropped from the air by Nazis earlier in the day.

NO EARLY COLLAPSE OF HITLER

"I DO not believe in an early collapse of Germany. It is a sound maxim to be prepared for the worst."

That advice was given by Major-General Sir Frederick Maurice, president of the British Legion, in a message to the annual conference of the Metropolitan Area Women's Section of the Legion in London.

"We have not really begun to feel the pinch yet, but it would be a foolish and a useless optimism to suppose that the pinch will not come," he wrote.

"We have won the first round, have still tremendous resources to put into the field, and can therefore regard the result with complete confidence—but not with a confidence that makes us lax or selfish."

"There may be many more rounds besides the first. All our available effort will be needed."

Sir Frederick asked women to economise. He declared it had been said with some truth that what an English household wasted would feed a French family.

Successive diving attacks of its adversary. After a number of bursts of gunfire had been seen to hit the German, both aircraft entered the clouds, where the enemy made good his escape.

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By STUART FLETCHER

BERNARD SHAW wants a notice up in every room at the Royal Academy announcing that any coloured picture there can be bought for £5, and any plain picture for £2.

He says that if the Red Cross (on whose behalf the exhibition is being held) is to make any money out of it, prices must be drastically reduced. "The Academy," in his opinion, "must abandon the tradition that artists must price their works in tens, hundreds and thousands of guineas."

Among the artists exhibiting are Gerald Brockhurst and Augustus John, both of whom charge 1,000 guineas for commissioned portraits. I told some of their fellow-exhibitors about Shaw's idea of salesmanship yesterday. This is what they said:

Can't He Add?

C. W. R. Nevinston: "What a silly old gentleman! Can't he add? A frame alone costs £5. What about paint and canvas?"

Colin Colahan, who has just completed a portrait of Shaw: "If pictures came down in price people could be encouraged to buy them as they buy books and records—to look at and hear when they feel like it. At present they pay so much that they feel they have got to hang a picture on the wall, and have the wretched thing staring at them for the rest of their lives, to get their money's worth."

Sir Edwin Lutyens, President of the Royal Academy, told me that some scheme for a reduction in prices was under consideration. Recently he sold one of his own sketches at a village fête for five shillings!

Duke Of Kent's Racehorses

Melbourne. The three horses, Dhoni, Moon Ray, and Greenwich, which were presented to the Duke of Kent after his appointment as Governor-General of Australia, and were sent to be raced by him, have been sold. The Duke did not take up his appointment owing to the war, but the horses were already on their way to Melbourne.

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Pigeon-Killing Days For Britain

Nation-wide shoots to kill all wood-pigeons in Britain are planned, together, by Whitehall, the farmers and the forestry experts.

The pigeons come in thousands from Scandinavia annually, and are multiplying rapidly. Greedy birds, they will eat almost everything a farmer grows; in a recent test 1,200 seeds of corn were found in one bird's crop.

Heil!— Hier ist Sandy

SANDY the Synthetic Scot is the latest acquisition of the German radio.

I understand from an exclusive source that Hamburg station have recently engaged a former Swiss actor who toured in vaudeville under the stage name of Jimmie Stuart.

He speaks English with an "ersatz" Edinburgh accent, and is believed to be taking the place of the former English speaker, Prince Orloff, a White Russian who has left Germany, fearing the consequences of the Soviet pact.

Sandy's job, it is thought, will be to try to win over Scots workers on Clydeside and elsewhere with bulletins in synthetic dialect.

Other English speakers—possibly three or four of them—will also relieve Haw-Haw in the near future, I understand.

BOWL OF RICE MOVE

Chinese Resident's Plan For Relief

At yesterday's meeting of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce the Secretary announced that a resident, Mr. Pang Tse-chen, had suggested that Hongkong should follow the example of Chinese in America in organising a Bowl of Rice movement to secure funds for the relief of Chinese and British refugees in the war zones. Mr. Pang has also written to the War Office asking for a scheme in which he hopes to secure \$2,000,000 for relief.

Shaw Film Producer Now British

GABRIEL PASCAL, the Hungarian who persuaded Bernard Shaw to allow him to film "Pygmalion," has become a naturalised Englishman.

"Pygmalion" had its share in making British film history. It cost less than £80,000—partly because Mr. Shaw was very accommodating about his fees.

In America, so far, it has taken over £300,000. In Britain the returns have been £240,000.

When he secured the rights from Mr. Shaw, Pascal confessed frankly that he had no money. Then he set about raising funds where he could.

"Major Barbara" Now Pascal is at work on another Shaw subject, "Major Barbara."

The great author has written a new scene in which the treatment of the armaments question is given a topical significance.

Wendy Hiller, the Eliza of "Pygmalion," plays the Salvation Army officer of the title, and Dame Sybil Thorndike, who was Major Barbara in the 1929 revival, comes into the film as another Salvation Army character.

Arms Maker Robert Morley plays the armaments manufacturer. Others in the parts already cast include Marie Lohr, Jean Cadell, Walter Hudd and David Tree.

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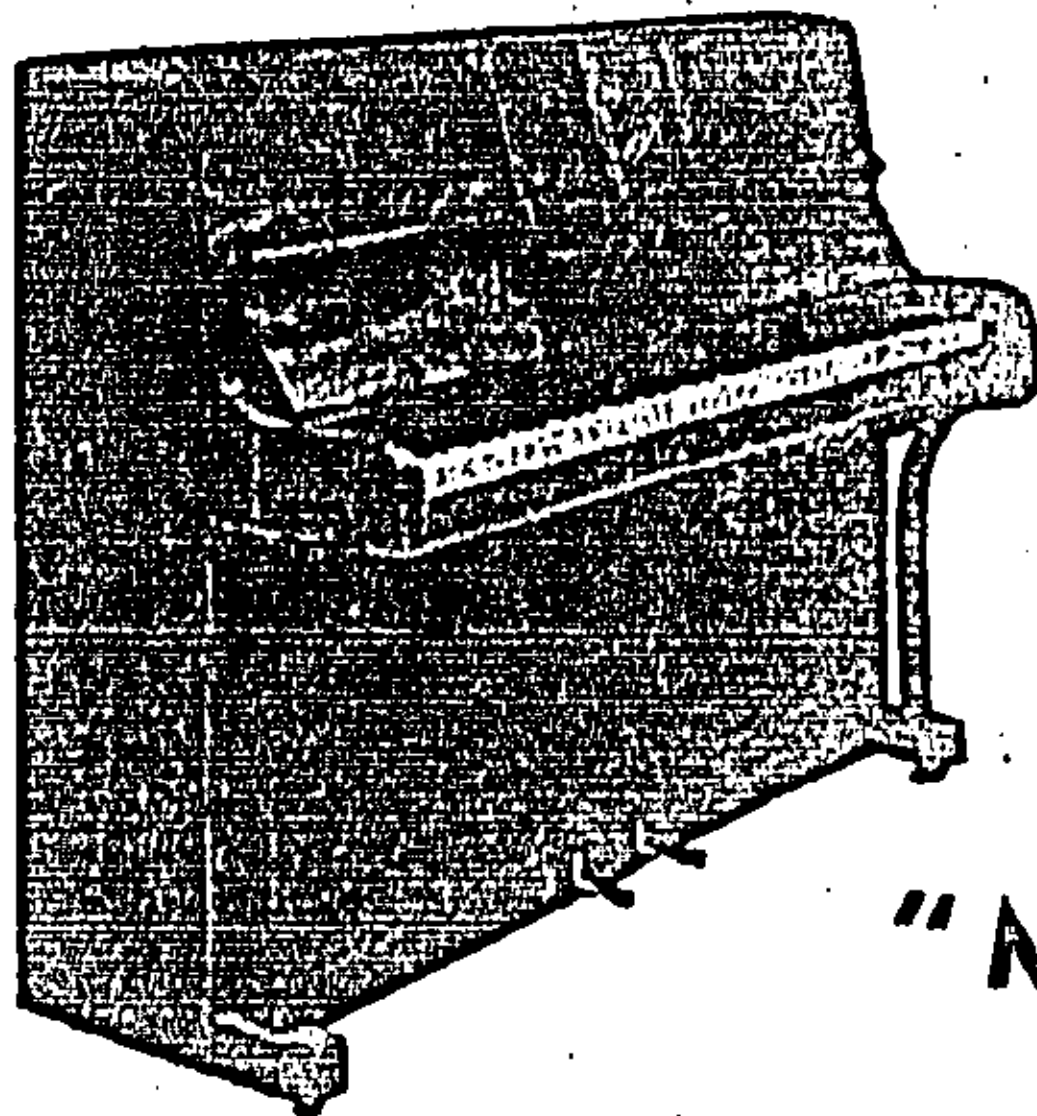
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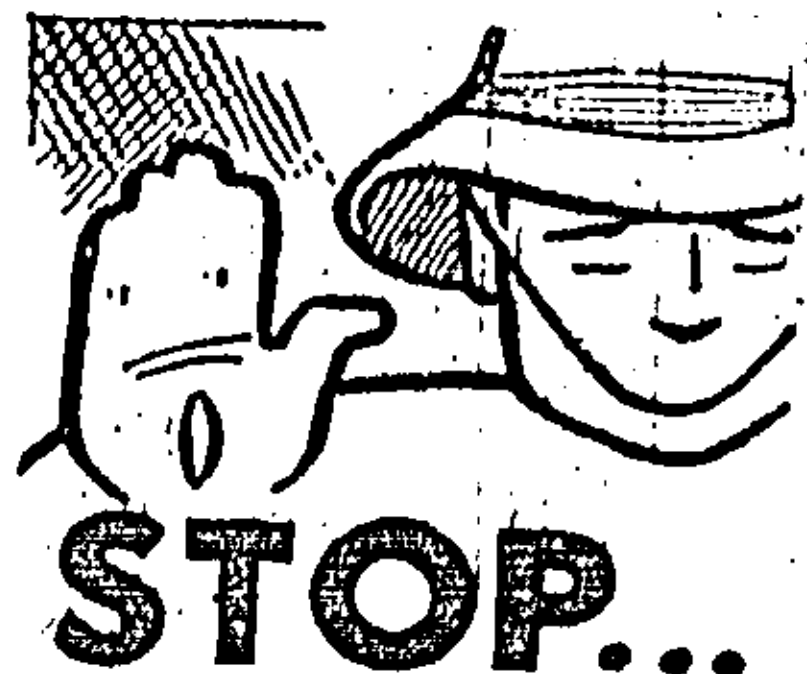
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Aid To Finland

John Bull is not beating his
breast and shouting challenges at
Joseph Stalin, but in giving vital
aid to the Finns he is risking
real trouble with the Soviet.

So too are the French and the
Swedes, but in both Moscow and
Berlin it is Britain which is
especially singled out for threats.

This aid is going to Finland
as part of the League of Nations
movement to help her resist
aggression, but Russia knows the
arms and planes come from
London and Paris, not Geneva.

Reports the last few days have
shown a considerable amount of
help going to Finland from
Britain and France.

Right at the start Britain sent
between twenty and thirty fight-
ing planes. France has shipped
thirty of her newest planes and
in addition, anti-tank guns and
ammunition.

Britain is sending a second
and much larger shipment of
planes and dipping into much-
needed stores of anti-aircraft
equipment and gasoline to help
the Finns. Sweden is sending
volunteers and arms and
affording transit for the Allied
supplies.

Those who have convinced
themselves that nation are
wholly selfish in anything they
do may try to say that helping
the Finns is only self-protection.

Undoubtedly for all the
nations which cherish freedom
and order interests as well as
ideals are involved in Finland's
gallant stand. That is true even
for America. But let us
acknowledge that much of the
effort in every country to help
the Finns springs from unselfish
admiration for courage and
decency.

Surely in the generosity which
is providing aid there should be
room for the appreciation of
good motives. Certainly Ameri-
cans can see that they risk little
compared with the Allies.

Britain and France might
easily say, "Sorry; but one war
at a time is enough." Not only
are they facing the possibility of
drawing Russia's attack; they
can ill afford to give up any war
supplies.

They are straining to get
planes for their own defence.
They do not know what they
may need should Germany open
up full force in the Spring.
Every bit of assistance they
give the Finns is a real sacrifice.
Let us pay tribute to it as to the
widow's mite—though it is no
mite in Finnish eyes, or Russian.



BOTH: "Caught you redhanded, you old rascal!"

The sailor's war is developing

GET READY for your OLD PALS

BY COMMANDER H. PURSEY, R.N.

BOTH Germany's imports
and her exports are now
liable to seizure by the
French and British navies.
The Allies' two-way blockade
of Germany is well under way.

How is this new stranglehold on
German trade being operated?

It will add to the already heavy
task of those responsible for the
Allies' close watch on all European
overseas trade.

These sentinels are now more
watchful than ever at the gate-
ways of the sea routes—the British
at the Orkney Islands, Dover
Strait, Gibraltar, Malta and Port
Said, and the French at Dunkirk,
Lo Havre, Marseilles and Oran.

Neutrals engaged in bona-fide
non-enemy trade can reduce to a
minimum the inconvenience to
their ships by two methods:

(1) by sending on copies of the man-
ifest of the cargo to the Ministry of
Economic Warfare in advance of the
ship, or

(2) by declaring the cargo to a British
consular authority in the neutral
country and obtaining a navicert.

This is equivalent to a commercial
passport which carries genuine neutral
goods through the control stations with
the minimum formalities.

★ ★
Though certain neutrals may com-
plain about what they consider inter-
ference with their legitimate trade,
they prefer our method of examination
and Prize Court, which has caused no
damage to a single ship or person, to
the German "sink at sight" policy and
its loss of innocent women and
children.

Under this policy, Germany in the
Great War destroyed 1,700 neutral
ships, often with no warning, and over
2,000 lives.

The most important part of the
blockade is the interception of ships
at sea, and the most hazardous task is
that carried out by our Northern
Patrol in that large, tempestuous area
of some 200,000 square miles, bounded
by the 270 miles from Scotland to Nor-
way and the 400 miles between Scot-
land and Iceland.

Pursuing zigzag courses to reduce
the chances of being torpedoed by
submarines, the patrol of cruisers and
armed merchant cruisers steam in a
line some 30 miles apart—the visible
distance from the crow's nest of each
ship being about 15 miles in fine
weather.

★ ★
It was a unit of the Northern Patrol
which in the Great War fought a clas-
sic duel with the first raider to be dis-
covered attempting to run the gauntlet
of the blockade.

The R.M.S. Alcantara, on February
29, 1916, sighted a strange ship and
pursued her, the crew being ordered to
"action stations" as a precaution
claiming to be the S.S. Renna from South
America with a cargo of coffee.

Suddenly the Renna's ensign staff
dropped, her steering box opened to
reveal a gun, flaps on her sides fell to
unmask other guns, and she opened
fire.

Realising she was a disguised Ger-
man raider the Alcantara immediately
retaliated, and, though her steering
gear was disabled, hotly engaged the
Renna in a duel that lasted for a quarter
of an hour.

By this time the Renna, repeatedly

hit, was badly on fire and almost in-
visible in the clouds of smoke, she
ceased fire and, "abandon ship,"
having been ordered, the survivors
took to the boats.

By now, the Alcantara had a heavy
list, and had to cease fire. As she was
obviously sinking, her captain also gave
the order "abandon ship," and in a
short while she turned over on her
beam ends and sank.

Thus, two peaceful liners fitted out
as naval auxiliary vessels literally
fought themselves to a finish. Other
British ships came on the scene and
rescued the survivors.

★ ★
The courage and devotion to duty of
the crews of the Alcantara and Renna-
land are typical of those who man the
Northern Patrol. Their work, as the
late Lord Balfour, a First Lord of the
Admiralty, said, was "more con-
tinuous, more important and more suc-
cessful than that of any other branch
of His Majesty's naval forces."

The new measures against Ger-
many's exports—on top of three
months' intensive blockade of her
imports—are bound to have a tremen-
dous influence on the Nazis' power to
carry on the war. German overseas
export trade should now be almost en-
tirely cut off.

In the Great War the blockade re-
duced Germany's foreign trade from
£1,100,000,000 in 1913 to £160,000,000 in
1918—a mere one-seventh of its original
volume.

Last year the total value of Ger-
many's overseas exports was about
£100,000,000. During war she will
naturally divert as much of those
exports as possible to neighbouring
countries, and this will reduce her
normal seaborne exports.

Nevertheless, it is estimated that she
will lose £45,000,000 as the result of the
Allied blockade.

YAMPOLSKY, Quovadis,
Costello and Zorn—
they'll be swinging a kilt
down Piccadilly soon. For
in spite of their names, they will
be among the Seaforth High-
landers of Canada who will
shortly be leaving for England
with the first overseas division
from the Dominion.

Of course, there are all kinds of
Macs, from MacAdam to McVeigh.
In this regiment. But then you
would expect Macs—particularly
exiled Macs—to join a Highland
unit. And you might expect them
to want to fight for the "Old
Country."

★ ★
But it's Yampolsky, Quovadis,
Costello and Zorn who represent
the spirit of that great part of
Canada which is made up of so
many different European peoples.

Besides Yampolsky, Quovadis,
Costello and Zorn, there are Smith,
Archambault, Brown and Legault.
For the first overseas division is
entirely representative of all the
Canadians, upper and lower, English
and French.

It includes smart lads from Van-
couver Island, where the Pacific
taps, gunners from Moose Jaw on
the rolling prairies, riflemen from
St. Jean in old French Quebec, and
engineers from Halifax on the
Atlantic seaboard.

But they will have some tough
nursing to watch over them, for
in their Arctic outposts, the

famous Royal Canadian Mounted
Police are packing their scarlet
coats in moth balls to join the first
division.

For every Canadian soldier re-
ceives six shillings a day, besides
£8 a month separation allowance
for his wife, and £3 a month for
each child.

★ ★
Out of the backwoods the front-
iermen are coming down to the
big cities. Harry Hooper, just from
the wilds of the Cariboo, looked as
big as a bear in his hand-sewn
moose-skin suit with its beaver-tail
trimmings, and moved as silently
as any in his moccasins shoes.

"Let me at 'em," he roared at me
in a voice that would have shaken
the Rockies, "I'm so tough they'd
have to muzzle me to give a grizzly
a chance."

(But Harry Hooper wasn't so
tough when he talked about his
friends—his horses and his dogs—
which he had to shoot before leav-
ing to enlist.)

They hadn't fitted "Tex" Lebere
with a uniform, and he still wore
his ten-gallon hat as he lounged
on the rifle range. When it came
to his turn to shoot, he missed the
target completely at 100 and 200
yards, but clipped the bull at 500
yards. His fellow soldiers couldn't
understand it.

"Wal, it's this a-ways, follahs,"
said "Tex" giving his trousers a
hitch, "Back in Texas we jest
throw stones at anything 100 or 200
yards away."

★ ★
Like Highlanders Yampolsky,
Quovadis, Costello and Zorn, most
Canadians join Scottish regiments
from choice rather than ancestry.
It's the uniform that gets them.

So when the Canadian Army
adopted the new British over-all
battle-dress I went down to the
Seaforth Armouries at Vancouver.
In the great hall I bumped into a
tall Highlander. His kilt hung in
smart pleats, his knees were not
too bony, and his calves under the
check stockings were shapely.

"What do you think of this new
uniform?" I asked him.

From a haughty, far-away look
of a warrior thinking of battle-
fields overseas, his expression
changed to one of worried bewil-
derment.

"Listen, bud," the Highlander
said, speaking in broad Gaelic
accent. "We don't have 'to go
tramping around in dem 'garage
men's suits, do we?"

"Say, bud," he went on, "a High-
land regiment can't parade in
those monkey-ducks. Why, wold
look like the hollemmen's union on
a picnic."

As I left, he followed me with
pleading eyes.

Peter Stursberg

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"If you had manners, Solma, you'd stop interrupting me
with your troubles while I'm telling you mine!"

London Will Cheer Exeter, Ajax Heroes

March Through Streets To Guildhall

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The march of officers and men of the cruisers, Ajax and Exeter, through the city to the Guildhall to-morrow will afford Londoners the first opportunity of greeting members of the fighting services whose gallantry has earned them universal glory. Seven hundred and sixty members of the company of the two cruisers will reach Waterloo about 10 a.m. They will proceed to the Horse Guards parade for inspection and then to a procession along Victoria Embankment to the Guildhall, where they will be entertained at luncheon by the Lord Mayor, Sir William Coxon, and the City Corporation.

Mr. Churchill To Speak

The Lord Mayor will propose the principal toast, to which Captain Woodhouse, of the Ajax, and Captain Bell, of the Exeter, will respond.

Mr. Winston Churchill, the First Lord of the Admiralty will also speak.

The total companies of the two ships numbered 1,150, so a draw was reported to for the selection of the fortunate 700.

Big Spy Plot Unearthed

Dutch Police Arrest Six People

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—With the arrest of six persons, including one German, at Groningen, North Holland, the Dutch Police are stated to have unearthed an extensive espionage plot having branches in several parts of Holland.

Police investigations followed the attempted escape of two foreign soldiers from internment.

Enquiries are still proceeding.

STOCK EXCHANGE ACTIVITY

Fresh Buying Features Industrials

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, industrials continued to be the main source of to-day's activity, and prices in all sections reflected the presence of fresh buying.

The removal of the minimum price of the London Passenger Transport Co. stock was responsible for an increased interest in home rails. Initial dealings in this stock were on the basis of 48 to 52, and closed around 52½.

Shipping shares attracted attention.

After hours, a dividend on the year of 1½ per cent. was announced on the London-Midland Scottish ordinary shares.

Courtauld's dividend for the year totalled 7 per cent. as compared with 4 per cent. last year.

Wall Street had a holiday.

GERMANS ADOPT SPANISH METHOD

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—A German patrol which tried to raid a French outpost holed sticks of dynamite just as the Asturian miners did in the Spanish civil war.

The French were occupying three houses on the edge of a deserted village. Hand grenades as well as dynamite were thrown at the French and one of the houses was set on fire.

The attackers were beaten off before they could approach within effective throwing distance.

Famous Playwright To Marry Actress

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, Feb. 22 (UP).—It is announced that Mr. Robert Morley, actor and playwright, will shortly marry Miss Joan Buckmaster, daughter of Gladys Cooper.

WHEN YOU ARE FEEDING BABY

It's after the birth of a baby that the mother needs careful attention most. Her strength has been severely taxed and when she is feeding the baby she needs extra and easily digested food.

Doctors throughout China have recommended Horlicks for years as the ideal food for both expectant and nursing mothers. It is invaluable when the digestive powers are weak. It stimulates faded appetites, and promotes sound sleep and tends to prevent constipation.

The Empire's Unceasing War Effort

Encouraging Reports

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Reports of increased war effort continue to come from all parts of the Empire.

In Southern Rhodesia yesterday, the acting Minister for Defence and Air said that three complete air training schools are to be established in that colony.

When Mr. R. G. Casey, Australia's first Minister to Washington, arrived there on Wednesday he said that Australia had recently purchased 100 planes as part of the programme of the 2,500 planes which Australia intends to contribute to the Empire.

Buying 500 Planes

In Canada, the War Supply Board has approved the purchase of 500 aeroplanes with spares at the cost of £1,500,000.

Mr. Mackenzie-King announces in connection with the second Canadian Division for overseas that already 70,000 men are under arms in Canada's active service forces, 9,000 men in the air force and 6,000 men in the navy.

This number will be increased by tens of thousands.

Canada's air force co-operation squadron will soon be joining the first Canadian Division overseas.

The Canadian Finance Minister announces that the war will cost Canada £125,000,000 for the year ending next month, £231,000,000 more than was originally estimated.

New Explosion At Waltham

Windows Shaken Over A Wide Area

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, Feb. 22 (UP).—Three were injured to-day in another explosion at the Royal gunpowder factory at Waltham Abbey.

The explosion shook doors and windows over a large area. It is reported to have been due to the detonation of waste explosives.

Two previous explosions took place recently in the same plant, the most serious of which was on January 18. Officials have denied that the explosions were due to sabotage.

Turkey Gets Ready

Draws Up War Time Regulations

ISTANBUL, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The Government is drawing up regulations with a view to applying, without delay, the special powers conferred by the Emergency Law, according to a message from Ankara.

In view of the influence which the war has had on Turkey's economic structure, the first step will be classification of exporters and importers into easily-controlled groups.

Cost prices will be drastically checked and fixed selling prices established.

Measures are also to be taken to accumulate stocks and to ensure ample supplies for national defence requirements.

74,500 REFUGEES IN ENGLAND

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—It is officially estimated that 74,500 refugees from Germany, Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland are now in the United Kingdom, stated Mr. R. A. Butler, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in a written reply to a question put forward in the House of Commons.

He added that it is unofficially estimated that there are about 42,000 such refugees in France, 20,000 in Belgium and 23,000 in the Netherlands.

IRAQ CABINET RESHUFFLE

BAGHDAD, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Seyid Nouri Es-Said, the Prime Minister, has reformed the Iraq Government by reshuffling portfolios and the introduction of two new Ministers.

The Prime Minister has temporarily taken the portfolio of Foreign Affairs.

Franco Releases Americans

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". MADRID, Feb. 22 (UP).—The Franco government has released the last eight Americans held as prisoners of war.

They include the well-known flier, Harold Dahl, who was once condemned to death.

French Cabinet Holds Meeting

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The French Cabinet yesterday reviewed the diplomatic and economic situation.

President Lebrun signed a decree authorising the C-in-C of the French Air Force to remain on the active list for one year. He reaches the retiring age limit this year.

SWEDEN IS INDIGNANT

Sharp Reaction To Pajala Bombing

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Swedish newspapers are expressing great indignation at the bombing of Pajala and saying that Sweden has never been the object of such a serious violation of her neutrality, either in the last war or the present one.

Stockholm's "Tidningen" says that Sweden wants peace and so does the whole of Scandinavia.

"It is certainly growing dark up here, however, and perhaps all neutrals will have to make serious decisions in the near future," comments the paper.

All Parties Agree

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—All parties in the Swedish Government have endorsed the Swedish Government's policy of withholding military aid to Finland.

Warning To Foreign Planes

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—General Neuman, military commander of the province of Norrland, declared that his anti-aircraft batteries will fire at any foreign planes which cross the frontier.

He added that the military authorities sent experts to Pajala immediately after the Soviet bombing of the village.

The Altmarmark Affair

More Support For Britain

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The following comments have been made by American newspapers on the Altmarmark affair.

"Milwaukee Journal": "Norway let her territorial waters to be used by Germany as a protected waterway to avoid the British blockade. It is difficult to see how Norway has a leg to stand on in her protest to Britain."

San Francisco "Chronicle": "The neutral world will grant no right to Germany in this affair."

Cleveland "Plain Dealer": "The British are well aware that Germany has played fast and loose with the rights of her small neutral neighbours. The Germans are not likely to get far in legalistic disputes."

Tampa "Times": "The Altmarmark had no right to take advantage of Norwegian neutrality and should be interned with all her officers and crew until the end of the war, despite the Nazi bluff and bluster."

Attempt To Refloat Ship

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". COPENHAGEN, Feb. 22 (UP).—A German plane, carrying 12 technicians to assist in refloating the Altmarmark, passed over Copenhagen enroute to Stavanger to-day.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 4.30 p.m., yesterday, says:

General enquiries led to the market becoming comparatively more active with a few stocks showing good advances. This was noticeable particularly with Electric, which opening with shares offering at 58 switched suddenly to buyers taking all offered at that price. Later bids were increased to \$61 with sales at intervening rates. Later in the day it became known this Company is increasing its capital and as a start will issue one new share on bonus terms for each two held. Banks in sympathy with the rise in London changed hands at \$1,450, closing sellers at \$1,463.

Buyers

Canton Ins. \$215
Union Ins. \$470
Fire Ins. \$162
Docks \$2,100
Watsons \$4.05
Lands \$38
Humphreys \$7.70
Star Ferries \$54
Yumati Ferries \$25
China Lights (Old) \$7.00
China Lights (New) \$5
Electric \$60
Macao Electric \$20
Sandakan Lights \$11½
Telephones (Old) \$26.80
Dairy Farms (Old) \$22¼
Dairy Farms (New) \$21.40
Entertainments \$7¼

Sellers

Docks \$22¼
Providents \$4¼
Lands \$30¼

Sales

H.K. Banks \$1,450
Canton Ins. \$220
Docks \$22.30
Providents \$4.05
Tramways \$17.65/60
Electric \$58/58¼
Telephones (Old) \$27
Cements \$10.20
Ropes \$0/0.10
Dairy Farms (Old) \$22¼
Watsons \$0.50/45

RUBBER BARTER AGREEMENT

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The Ministry of Supply has notified the rubber market that the United States Government has agreed to extend, until the end of September, the period in which rubber furnished by the British Government under the rubber control barter agreement may be shipped, thus extending the existing date by three months.

Colonial Aid Scheme Palestinian Press Is Delighted

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—In Palestine the Arabic paper, "Addin", in an editorial stresses that the importance of the Colonial development scheme lies in the fact that it is declared in war-time when the need of funds is urgent.

The "Asirah Almustaqim" says that the British Government has done well in declaring this policy.

Political Efficiency

The Hebrew paper, "Davar", says: "It is the best evidence of the economic force of the Empire and the financial power of Britain. It also shows political efficiency and psychological astuteness, enabling British statesmen to extend concern to matters not directly connected with the war."

"Extension of the mandated territories seems in consequence a decidedly pro-British stand taken by the population."

"British mandated countries regard the fight against Nazism as their own. They are ready to make every effort required."

The Caracas paper, "Ahles", says: "The statement on Colonial policy disproves completely the propaganda accusing Britain of oppression of the Empire. A perfect Union of the Empire is the key to victory. The British Empire form a granite-like block."

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS

H.K. Banks, \$ C.D. 1,450 b. sa.
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.) £
X.D. 87 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.) £
X.D. 80 n.

INSURANCES

Canton \$ 220 b. & sa.
Union \$ 475 b.
China Underwriter \$ 1.5
H.K. Fire \$ 185 b. & sa.

SHIPPING

Douglases \$ 100 b.
Steamboats \$ 104 n.
Indo-China D.S. 108 b.
Shell (Bearers) s/- 78/9 n.
Waterbonts \$ 7¼ n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves \$ 102 n.
Docks \$ 22¼ b.
Providents \$ 4.70 b.
Sh. Docks \$ 34¼ n.

MINING

Kailan s/- 19/- n.
Raubs \$ 10 n.
Venz. Gold \$ 4 n.
H.K. Mines 3½ cts. n.

LANDS

Hotels \$ 5.05 n.
Lands \$ 38¼ n.
Lands 4% Debentures 100 n.
Shai Cotton Sh. 170 n.
Humphreys \$ 7.70 b.
H.K. Realities \$ 4½ n.
Chinese Estates \$ 101 n.

UTILITIES

Trams \$ 17.65 sa.
Peak Trams (old) 8 n.
Peak Trams (new) 6 n.
Star Ferries \$ 25 b.
Y. Ferries \$ 25 b.
China Lights (old) 8 b.
China Lights (new) 5.05 b.
H.K. Electric \$ 60 b.
Macao Electric \$ 20 b.
Sandakan Lights \$ 11¼ b.
Telephones (old) 27¼ b.
Telephones (new) 9½ b.
Tramways \$ 10/0 n.
Traction (Pref.) 19/8 n.

INDUSTRIALS

Cald. Macg. (Ord.) Sh. \$ 14.00 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pref.) Sh. \$ 12 n.
Canton Ices \$ 1 n.
Cements \$ 18.20 sa.
H.K. Ropes \$ 0.10 sa.

STORES, ETC.

Dairy Farms (old) \$ 22¼ sa.
Dairy Farms (new) \$ 21¼ b.
Watsons \$ 0.45 sa.
Lane, Crawford \$ 7¼ n.
Sinceres \$ 1.80 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$ 41 n.
Powell, Ltd. \$ 1 n.

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh. \$ 38¼ n.
Shai Cotton Sh. \$ 170 n.
Zong Sing Sh. \$ 44 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$ 48¼ n.

MISC.

H.K. Entertainments \$ 7¼ b.
Constructions (old) \$ 1¼ n.
Constructions (new) \$ 3¼ n.
Vibro Pump \$ 3¼ n.
C. Govt. 5% 1925 50% n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 100¼ n.
H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan 95¼ n.
Marsmans (Lon.) s/- 14/8 n.
Marsmans (H.K.) s/- 4/- n.

BRITISH, FRENCH LABOUR GET TOGETHER

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—A delegation of members of British Trade Unions, headed by Sir Walter Citrine, arrived here for one of the series of monthly conferences with French Trade Union leaders.

A meeting was held this afternoon and talks will be continued to-morrow.

A delegation of the British Labour Party, headed by the Rt. Hon. Mr. C. R. Attlee, has also arrived in Paris. They conferred with French socialist leaders to-day and have decided to hold regular meetings like those held by the French and British Trade Union representatives.

KIDNAPPER FOILED

Taxi Driver's Presence Of Mind

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". SHANGHAI, Feb. 22 (UP).—The presence of mind of the chauffeur of a hire car, saved Mrs. Hsu Shing-loh from becoming the victim of kidnapers.

Mrs. Hsu is the widow of the former Chairman of the China Commercial Bank, who died when a C.N.A.C. plane was machine-gunned by the Japanese while flying from Hongkong to Chungking in 1938.

Two Chinese gunmen held up Mrs. Hsu, who was shopping near the city. The gunmen ordered her to enter the car but Mrs. Hsu screamed and the chauffeur, realising that something was wrong, abandoned his car and ran down Nanking Road.

One gunman apparently attempted to overtake the chauffeur, who disappeared.

The other gunman pushed Mrs. Hsu back into a shoe store and then made his escape.

POST OFFICE

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

INWARD MAILS

Calcutta and Straits Feb. 23.
Manila Feb. 23.
U.S.A., Honolulu, and Japan (San Francisco date, 20th Jan.) Feb. 23.
Haiphong, Hanoi and Fort Bayard Feb. 24.
Shanghai Feb. 24.
Canton Feb. 24.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan, Shanghai and Manila (San Francisco date, 20th Jan.) Feb. 24.
Shanghai Feb. 25.
Straits Feb. 25.
Canton Feb. 25.
Japan Feb. 25.
Manila Feb. 25.
Sandakan Feb. 25.
Shanghai and Amoy Feb. 25.
Amoy Feb. 26.
Haiphong Feb. 26.
Manila Feb. 26.
Sandakan Feb. 26.
Bangkok and Tourane Feb. 27.
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 15th December 1939) Feb. 27.
Haiphong Feb. 27.
Shanghai Feb. 27.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 18th January) Feb. 27.

OUTWARD MAILS

Friday, Feb. 23

Amoy and Shanghai 2.30 p.m.
Manila 7 p.m.
Straits 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa 1.30 a.m.

Parcels only for Tientsin 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America via San Francisco—due San Francisco 17th March.

G.P.O. and K.P.O.

Par. Feb. 24, 4 p.m.
Reg. Feb. 24, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 24, 5.30 p.m.

Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 3rd March.

G.P.O. and K.P.O.

Reg. Feb. 24, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 24, 5.30 p.m.
Haiphong 5.30 p.m.
Saigon 5.30 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 25

Formosa, Shanghai and Japan 9 a.m.
Shanghai (Parcels only) 9.00 a.m.
Saigon, Sandakan, Madang, Salamau, Rabaul and Tulagi 9 a.m.
Monday, Feb. 26

Canton 7.15 a.m.
Haiphong 1 p.m.
Fort Bayard and Hanoi 7.00 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 27

Batavia and Sourabaya 9.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta 11 a.m.
Parcels Feb. 27, 11 a.m.
Ord. Feb. 27, Noon.
Amoy 2.30 p.m.
Bangkok 2.30 p.m.
Manila, Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Naples—due Naples 24th March.

G.P.O. and K.P.O.

Reg. Feb. 27, 2.45 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 27, 3.30 p.m.

Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 6th March.

K.P.O.

Reg. Feb. 27, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 27, 5.30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 28

Reg. Feb. 28, 7 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 28, 7.30 p.m.

Air Mail for Malaysia, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 4th March.

K.P.O.

Reg. Feb. 27, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 27, 5.30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 29

Reg. Feb. 29, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 29, 7 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only)—due Vancouver B.C., 10th March.

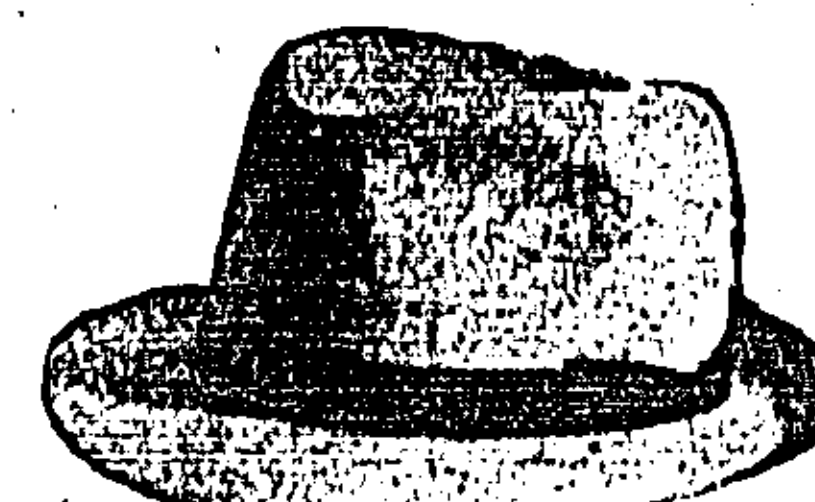
G.P.O. and K.P.O.

Parcels Feb. 29, 5 p.m.
Reg. Feb. 29, 9.15 a.m.
Ord. Feb. 29, 10 a.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America via San Francisco—due San Francisco 21st March.

G.P.O. and K.P.O.

Reg. Feb. 27, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 28, 8.30 a.m.



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"Captain Foster's" Racing Review

ANNUAL RACE CARNIVAL TERMINATES TO-MORROW

NINE EVENTS ON PROGRAMME: AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONS

The Annual Race Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club will terminate to-morrow at Happy Valley. Punters are reminded that the first saddling bell will be chimed at 1.30 p.m., instead of the usual 11.30 a.m.

An attractive programme of nine races, with the inclusion of seven handicap events, will be presented, and chief interest will undoubtedly be centred in the Australian Ponies Champions over a distance of one and a quarter miles. The classic event will surely bring out a few smart youngsters of this season's subscription griffins and it looks to me that we are going to have a nice champion tussle.

As I write, the allotment of handicap weights for the seven events has not yet been announced and in the circumstance the prospects of all the races will be briefly discussed in to-morrow's issue.

Badminton

Draw For 1939-40 Tournament

The draw for the 1939-40 Hongkong badminton championships was made last evening by the specially appointed sub-committee of the Badminton Association.

It was found that entries were excellent, being 45 as compared with 42 last year. Twelve are taking part in the men's senior singles against ten last season; 11 in the junior singles as compared with 13; 13 in the men's doubles as compared with 11, and nine in the mixed doubles, as compared with eight.

Only one entry was received for the ladies doubles, but it has been decided to keep the entries for this event open for another week, until Friday, March 1. It is provided that entries must total ten in order for a championship event to be arranged.

Prominent absentee from this year's championships is P. K. Hui, who last year won three events. However, the presence of Henry Eardley, former Shanghai champion, and the return of P. H. Wong, former Colony champion, make the competition one of the most interesting since its inception.

In three events players have been seeded. In the senior singles, C. A. Yau, last year's runner-up, H. Eardley, P. H. Wong, and K. L. Yung have been "seeded." In the men's doubles, the favoured pairs are M. S. Lim and P. S. Bun, last year's runners-up, C. Au and P. H. Wong, M. A. Silva and M. A. Oliveira, and K. L. Yung and H. F. Chew. In the mixed, the seeded couples are: M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva, three times runners-up, H. Eardley and Miss Declina Eardley, K. L. Yung and Miss U. Khoo, and J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro.

The championships will start on Thursday next, February 29, the first programme of matches to be announced to-morrow in the local press. Neutral courts will be used for all games, which will be arranged by the sub-committee, and no postponements will be permitted without the special consent of the sub-committee.

Matches will be the best of three.

PLEASE Turn To Page 9.

Amazing Performances By China Ponies

However, I am glad to be able to write the last chapter of the amazing performances put up by the China ponies, *bona fide* griffins of the meeting, and the three best steeds selected by the writer, namely, Burford, Mount Hope Bay and Satinlight are now the holders of fastest times over various distances.

The most exclusive event, the Hongkong Derby, has come and gone. Mr. Eric Moller is to be congratulated in capturing the Blue Riband with his Satinlight, ably ridden by his son, Mr. "Booie" Moller and it was the Shanghai grand "old man's" second success, his first being in 1938 with Silky. Of course, the verdict of the victory was not by the length of Wong-Nai-Chong Road, but it must have thrilled every regular follower of the turf, for the grim battle for the highest honours of the season started at the football stand or thereabouts. It was a "neck to neck" fight with Burford, piloted by Mr. Raymond Pih, over the last five furlongs of the long distance outing and when the end came after a most exciting Derby witnessed at the Valley, the decision was only half a length.

THE classic endurance contest was run in a record time of 2.50.4/5 for one and a half miles, lowering Rose Elect's figure by four three-fifths seconds. It was certainly a grand performance. Although I was not swept on Satinlight for the Blue Riband, I was glad in my assertion that Spiclight was not the cream of Mr. Moller's string of animals.

BURFORD'S PERFORMANCES

BURFORD, owned by the Quarter-master's stable, gave a gallant display of his propelling powers, losing to Satinlight by only half a length, but the buy stallion ably assisted by Mr. Pih in the saddle, made amends in the Champion Stakes, beating the Derby winner by two lengths in the record time of 2.20 3/4 for 1 1/4 miles. It was one one-fifth seconds faster than the performance done by Silky.

I remembered in querying in this column about a fortnight ago whether the Russian trainer had enough time to get Burford in trim for the stamina run and there was no doubt

that the failure of the Quarter-master's candidate in the big event was short of a gallop. After a hard fight in the Hongkong Derby, Burford was another China steed in the Racing Stakes over a mile and he certainly had an easy outing to pick up \$1,000 for the owners. Apart from the easy win by six lengths the stallion sailed to three-fifths seconds off the record time of 1.54 held by Confusion Bay since November 18. However, it is a long stretch to the Hongkong Derby of 1941, but I sincerely hope that when the time comes, the owners in general will realise the importance of having their chargers here long before the run—at least two months of training at Happy Valley.

MOUNT HOPE BAY

MOUNT Hope Bay's performance in the Grand Stand Stakes over six furlongs seemed to suggest that Mr. Dunbar's stallion was more of a sprinter than a stayer. The pony annexed this event in great style, beating Mrs. Taggart's Craigavon with Mr. Encarnacao in the saddle not only by six lengths but in the record time of 1.21 1/2, which was one two-fifths seconds faster than the record established by Spiclight in the Maiden Stakes on the first day of the Annual Carnival. Mount Hope Bay nearly landed a coup in the Chater Cup in a scramble from the 1 1/4 mile post and he went under Spiclight, the winner, by half a length. There was plenty money on the Ciro's candidate, but Mount Hope Bay would have paid handsomely if he had crossed the wire first.

After fighting hard for the first three days of the annual race meeting, Mr. B. W. Bradbury met with some successes on Wednesday, Greber and Racylight dead-heating the first position in the grand total of the Hopeful Stakes over the champion course, while Clembur had a comfortable win in the Griffins Consolation Stakes over a mile in 1.53 1/4 which was below Confusion Bay's old track figure of 1.54. It was a fine run.

MR. MOLLER'S SUCCESSES

It may not be generally known that out of nine races confined to Derby griffins run on the first four days of the annual big meeting, Mr. Eric Moller captured six events, five off the reel, and the sixth was a dead-heat between Racylight and Greber in the Hopeful Stakes. It may be of interest to know that in addition to the Lusitano and Chater Cups, the three griffins of the Ciro's stable brought in the grand total of \$9,128 (Satinlight won \$5,170, Spiclight made \$2,280 and Racylight cleared \$1,700) and I wonder whether Mr. Moller had a good race meeting. Navylight was, in my opinion, very lucky to capture the Challenge Cup valued one hundred guineas, which was won outright by the Shanghai challenger and this means that the Hongkong Jockey Club will have to provide another silver trophy for next year's racing.

PROMINENT NON-WINNERS

THERE are at least over three dozen griffins under the category

COMPLETE RACING SUCCESSES TO DATE



Quartermaster's Burford (H. C. Pih up), being led in by Mrs. C. B. Brown on the right and Mr. R. H. Wild on the left, after winning the Champions, beating Satinlight, the Derby winner—Mec Cheung.

Handicap Weights For Last Day Of Meeting

WEIGHTS for the handicap events of the fifth and last day of the Annual Race Meeting (to-morrow) are as follows:

GRIFFINS SPRING HANDICAP

Attacking Time (148), Blue Skies (158), Bronze Arrow (151), Care Free (151), Craigavon (160), Dingo (150), Distinctive Time (151), Dupont Bay (151), Eve of Dancing (151), Eve of Folly (158), Eve of Hunting (148), Eve of Peace (148), Eve of Reason (151), For All Time (161), Gay Star (161), Hillsboro Bay (145), Hopeful Star (151), Hugbner (151), Jane Doe (151), Johnner (150), Kentucky (145), Laurabur (151), Little Princess (145), Lusitano (151), National Success (142), Ohio (151), Ojibway (late Egmont Bay) (161), O-Lan (150), Omaha (161), Oomph (158), Patricia (161), Possible (163), Resisting Time (158), Ronson (148), Rose Perfect (161), Silver Wings (161), Smashing Through (151), Thirty Six (153), Victoria (150), White Diamond (157), Xenophon (151).

ICHANG HANDICAP, 1ST SEC.

Avon (140), Bear Claw (150), Blue Express (150), Conquering Time (150), English Cavalier (151), Galaxy (155), Hebble View (140), Humdrum Eve (160), Hyndford Bridge (140), King's Warden (151), Lillibur (161), Red Feathers (150), Rob Roy (151), Rose Emily (140), Silver Wings (161), Smashing Through (151), Thirty Six (153), Strathdoon (143), The Leopard (150), The Tigress (140), West Lake (144), Wilber (144), Wild Cat (160), Willy-nilly (140).

BENARBA HANDICAP

Amber II (150), Aztec (163), Colorado Star (135), Dick Turpin (135), Discovery Bay (150), Heinz (140), Macquarie River (140), Murray River (135), Perfect Day (142), Pocahontas (148), Sea Urchin (140), Strathearn (160), Tarzan (135),

Twilight Star (154), Violet Queen (155), Zodiac (135).

WUHU HANDICAP
Arabian Cat (150), Blaisdon (140), Cuban Love (161), Diogenes (145), Dragonfly (151), Gallant Marshal (145), Gordie (151), Gog (160), Green Bay (158), Heddon (156), King's Envoy (140), Lucky Eleven (140), National Honour (140), Opening Batsman (140), Pall Mall (144), Palmer (153), Rose Day (140), Sports Venture (140), Tempest (160), Tiger Eyes (140), Tribute (140), Valorous (140).

ICHANG HANDICAP, 2ND SEC.

Blue Diamond (150), Expansion Time (151), Gladiator (140), Half-Moon Eve (161), Jennifer (157), Jobber (157), Just in Time (140), New Star (165), Oak Bay (152), Peaceful View (150), Pinfarthings (147), Polentate (157), Rose Flana (150), Rose Jane (140), Taxing Master (140).

TAIPING HANDICAP, 2ND SEC.

Ascot Vale (163), Bressay (159), Desert Star (160), Ebony Idol (145), Emergency Call (148), February Fourth (153), Fel Ying (140), Good Morning (160), Lancashire Chap (142), Matador (156), Meteor (145), National Liberty (140), Popular Star (145), Portrush (163), Radium Star (143), Silver Star (140), Starlet (140), Sunshine Susie (140), Talkative (158), Tiny Tim (148), Wild Bear (140), Zero (160).

Little Dado Warned

San Francisco, Feb. 23 (AP). — The State Boxing Commission has warned Little Dado, flyweight champion, to meet Little Pancho before March 29 or forfeit his title. Meanwhile, it has been announced that Pancho will meet Lupe Cordova in a ten-round bout on February 26 at the Coliseum Bowl.

REGIONAL FOOTBALL

LONDON, Feb. 23 (Reuters). — Results of the regional football matches played yesterday were:

SOUTH "A"
West Ham 4, Clapton Orient 1
SOUTH "B"
Chelsea 4, Bournemouth 3

Mr. Moller's Gift To Charity

It is learned that Mr. E. Moller, the shipping magnate and owner of the Derby winner, Satinlight, has handed \$10,000 to Madame Sun Yat-sen for hospital fund for Chinese sick and wounded.

LISTS OF LEADING OWNERS AND JOCKEYS

FOLLOWING shows how the owners and jockeys fared during the first four days of the annual meeting:

JOCKEYS					OWNERS				
1st	2nd	3rd	Unp.		1st	2nd	3rd		
H. B. Moller	7	1	1	—	Cire	7	1	2	
D. Black	5	4	4	21	L. Dunbar	3	3	4	
C. Pih	5	3	10	—	Lan	3	2	1	
P. Y. T. Wei	4	5	2	10	Lucky	3	—	3	
L. J. Chao	4	2	4	12	Eve	2	1	2	
H. J. A. Heame	4	1	4	9	Quartermaster	2	1	—	
V. V. Needa	3	3	2	15	Marber	1	3	—	
S. C. Lang	3	1	1	12	Mrs. J. H. Taggart	1	2	1	
C. Encarnacao	2	4	5	15	Elandee	1	2	—	
G. P. Gram	2	4	1	13	J. F. Macgregor	1	1	—	
Ip Kul-yung	2	—	—	6	Vly	1	1	—	
B. A. Droulx	1	3	4	11	S.M.K.	1	1	—	
W. H. S. Davis	1	3	—	3	Mrs. A. E. Grasett	1	1	—	
F. Marshall	1	2	2	7	Marber I	1	1	—	
S. W. Pan	1	1	2	14	Diamonds	1	—	2	
B. L. Tao	1	1	—	14	Cocoa	1	—	2	
H. M. Botelho	1	—	1	13	Li Po-chun	1	—	1	
K. F. Chiu	1	—	—	1	Vilja	1	—	1	
Tung Man-wa	—	2	—	3	Lee Bros.	1	—	1	
O. R. Sadlek	—	1	—	—	J. G. Whitaker	1	—	1	
Y. T. Fung	—	1	—	—	Yick Chiu	1	—	1	
R. M. Wood	—	—	1	4	E.S.K.	1	—	1	
W. G. Poy	—	—	1	10	Sunnyside	1	—	1	
S. Judah	—	—	—	1	Fan	1	—	1	
G. W. Cooper	—	—	—	1	Iron	1	—	1	
F. A. Sequeira	—	—	—	1	G. Trevelton	1	—	1	
R. Sleep	—	—	—	1	Gredka	1	—	1	
Lo G. Hin	—	—	—	1	Netherland	1	—	1	
H. A. de B. Botelho	—	—	—	1	A.H.P.	1	—	1	
R. K. C. Chiu	—	—	—	1	Unicorn	1	—	1	
T. W. Chatter	—	—	—	1	Cal	1	—	1	
Yeung Wing-sing	—	—	—	1	L.T.F.	1	—	1	
H. J. Cowie	—	—	—	2	C.W.K.	—	3	1	
G. Trevelton	—	—	—	2	Tung Man-wa	—	2	1	
S. W. Tang	—	—	—	2	S. W. Lee	—	2	1	
K. W. Fung	—	—	—	3	Li Chiu-hung	—	—	—	
Yeung Wing-kwai	—	—	—	3	Mrs. Stanton	—	—	—	
C. L. Gregory	—	—	—	3	Mrs. Eu Tong-sen	—	—	—	
L. H. Howell	—	—	—	6	Dr. S. N. Chau	—	—	—	
Ho Hong-ping	—	—	—	8	Eu Tong-sen	—	—	—	
Hoo Pak-ming	—	—	—	12	S. L. K.	—	—	—	
S. L. Yuen	—	—	—	16	J. H. Jensen	—	—	—	
					H. Leigh	—	—	—	
					John Peel	—	—	—	
					Kia Ora	—	—	—	
					Y.H.	—	—	—	
					Mrs. B. Hall	—	—	—	
					Choice	—	—	—	
					S. T. Williamson	—	—	—	
					Lady Northcote	—	—	—	
					Mrs. Dunbar	—	—	—	
					T. & E.	—	—	—	
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					Billy	—	—	—	
					Helenside	—	—	—	
					Wong Sul-ngau	—	—	—	

Fanling Starting Times For The Week-end

The following starting times have been arranged by the Royal Hongkong Golf Club for Fanling during the week-end:

To-morrow		Sunday	
OLD COURSE	NEW COURSE	OLD COURSE	NEW COURSE
2.10 Major Meek, Major Giles.	10.10 J. C. Brown, F. Buckle.	9.10 G. M. Park, F. N. Spencer.	9.10 H. F. Sommers, Sr. & Jr.
2.20 J. W. Mayhew, F. R. McKee.	10.20 A. E. Lissaman, R. H. Gregory.	9.20 J. W. Mayhew, H. M. Williamson.	9.20 Capt. Thuraby, R. G. Parker.
2.40 P. S. Cassidy, W. M. Barton.	10.24 J. C. Tyley, C. C. Black.	9.24 J. W. Mayhew, L. M. Wylie.	9.24 F. S. Delaney, L. M. Wylie.
	10.26 W. S. Miller, D. A. Murdoch.	9.26 M. S. Bannet, J. Redman.	9.26 Mrs. Nicol, Miss Geen.
	10.27 F. Davidson, H. W. Dulle.	9.28 G. W. Reeve, A. Nicol.	9.28 Mrs. Plummer, Mrs. Sinclair.
	10.28 Mrs. Eu Tong-sen, Mrs. Mackenzie.	9.30 P. E. Ann, J. W. Clague.	9.30 W. W. J. & Mrs. Wedlock.
	10.30 L. C. Stewart, W. Park.	9.32 A. C. Lamb, G. R. de L.	9.32 W. C. Shawen, T. Megarry.
	10.34 M. G. Gerdan, H. Eveley.		9.34 E. G. Price, J. C. Matthews.
	10.36 R. P. Morris, H. A. Mills.		9.36 Mrs. Sturtess-Wood, Mrs. Fuller.
	10.38 Lieut. Carter, G. T. Harrington.		9.38 Mrs. Overy, Mrs. Mackenzie.
	11.00 Lt. C. Greenway, H. C. Watson.		9.40 Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Park.
			9.42 Mrs. Gerondal, Mrs. Kirby.
			9.44 Major de Court, Capt. Chatley.
			11.04 A. Tennant, K. E. Young.



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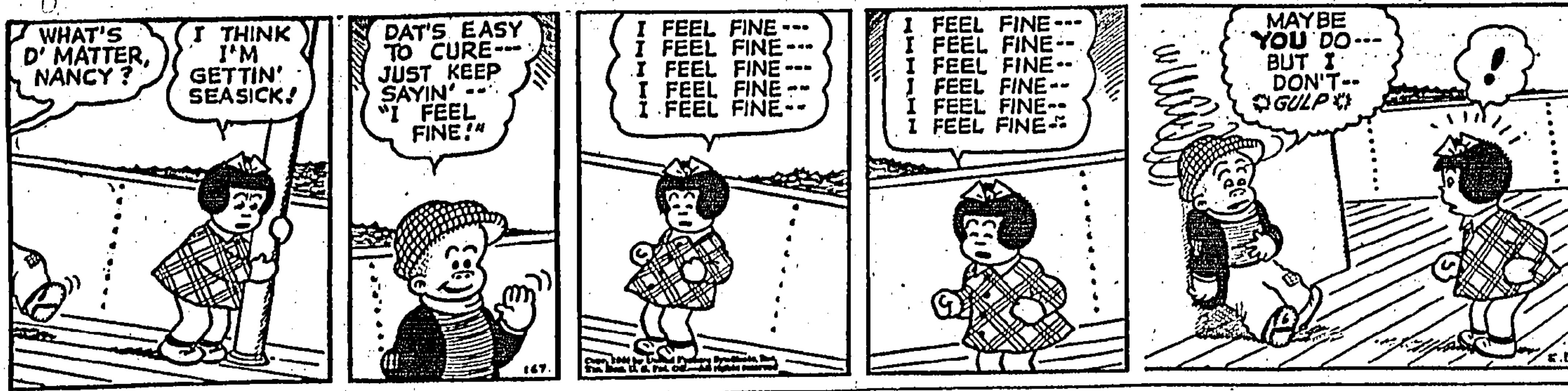
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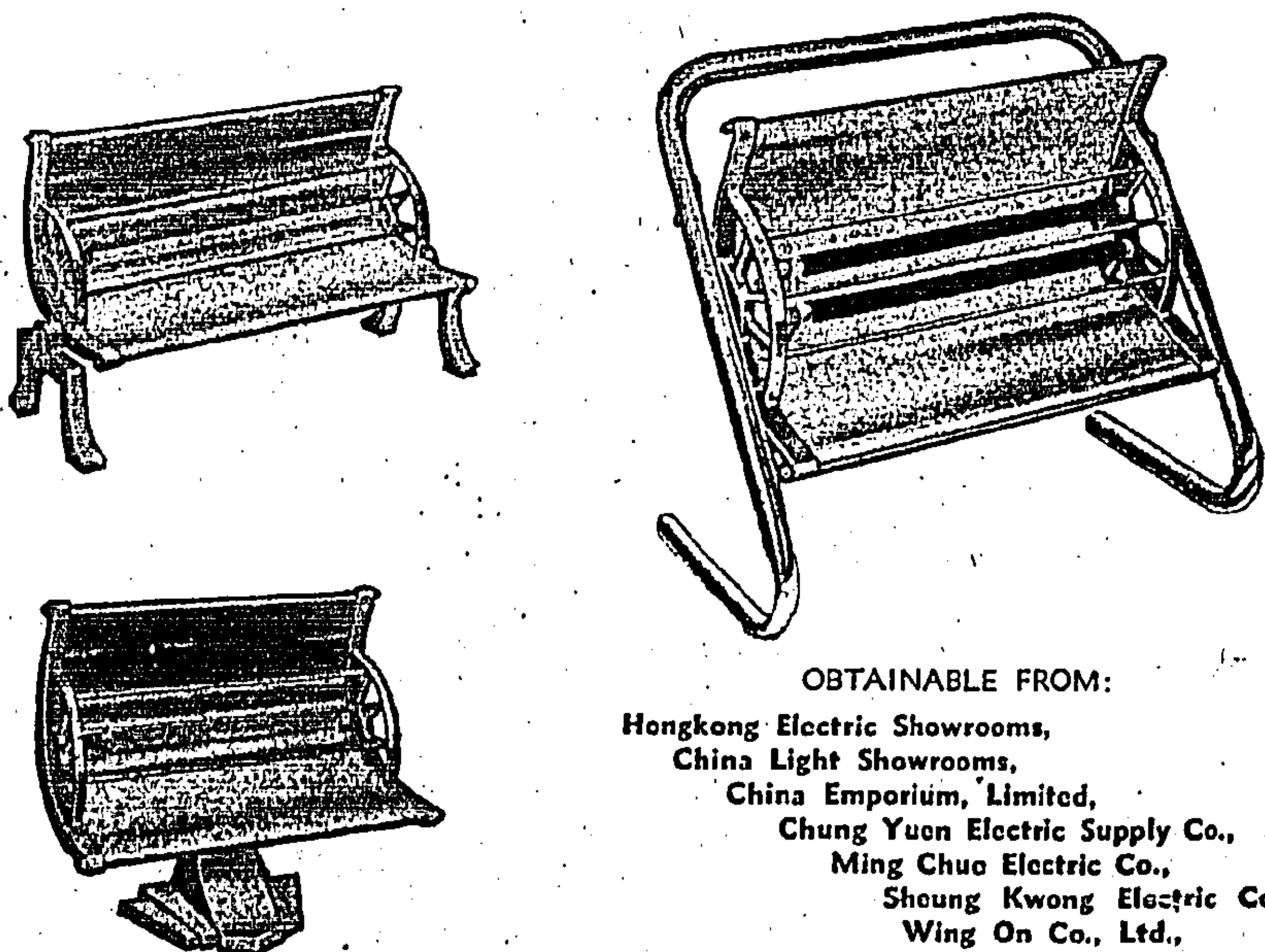
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WESTERN FRONT Heavy Gunfire By Germans

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuters).—An official communiqué issued to-day says that there have been artillery actions on both sides of the front especially to the west of the Saar and the east of Billes.

There has been an increased activity of both air forces between Moselle and the Rhine and also over Alsace.

German Communiqué

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
BERLIN, Feb. 22 (UP).—The Nazi High Command communiqué for to-day said: "In the west there were widespread air force reconnaissance flights over western France. Despite the enemy defences, German patrol planes suffered no losses. An attempt by enemy planes to enter Germany across the west front failed."

The official D.N.B. report says: "Enemy artillery fire which, at times, was intense was reported from the usual sectors on the western front. Among other points, Schneeburg and territory north of Spichern were the objects of enemy artillery fire. German artillery put enemy positions and batteries east of Moselle under heavy fire."

"In the vicinity of Duerenberg a German patrol repulsed a much stronger enemy patrol and inflicted heavy losses. On the upper Rhine, the day passed quietly with the exception of brief local exchanges of fire in the Aitensheimer Bend. "German aircraft continue reconnaissance flights, particularly over eastern France. French aircraft defence fired frequently but were not able to halt the German planes. German anti-aircraft fire prevented enemy planes from flying over several points on the western front."

Tournament Draw For 1939-40

(Continued from Page 8.)

ginner, each 15 points up. The draw for the championships follows:

MEN'S SINGLES (SENIOR)
C. Au and D. Kwok, bye; H. B. Teoh v. P. S. Bun; W. T. Ho v. H. Eardley (top half); K. L. Yung v. H. M. Lau; S. C. Chung v. H. F. Cheah; C. K. Cheah and P. Wong, bye (bottom half).

MEN'S SINGLES (JUNIOR)
T. S. Young and J. Clark, bye; K. L. Lui v. A. Ho; N. Smith v. P. Lo (top half); J. L. Anderson v. W. Gillies; J. Tsang, P. Wynter-Blyth and A. L. Fisher, bye (bottom half).

MEN'S DOUBLES
M. S. Lim and P. S. Bun, bye; J. J. Remedios and L. A. Carvalho v. H. Eardley and N. Smith; C. K. Cheah and T. T. Chin v. F. H. Kwok and D. Kwok; C. Au and P. H. Wong v. K. L. Yung and H. F. Cheah (top half); R. Marques and H. F. Goncalves v. H. M. Lau and S. C. Chung; H. T. Woo and K. L. Lui v. F. Koh and C. Y. Yung; A. L. Fisher and P. Wynter-Blyth, bye; M. A. Silva and M. A. Oliveira, bye (bottom half).

MIXED DOUBLES
M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva, bye; T. T. Chin and Miss M. T. Ding, bye; J. Clark and Mrs. Beattie, bye; L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro v. K. L. Yung and Miss H. Khoo (top half); J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro, bye; P. H. Wong and Miss W. Cheung, bye; D. Kwok and Mrs. P. Wilson, bye; H. Eardley and Miss D. Eardley, bye (bottom half).

Recreio "A" Beat K.C.C.

Recreio "A" defeated the Kowloon C.C. in a Mixed Doubles League match by nine sets to nil last night.

SCORES:
J. L. Anderson and Miss B. Harker (K.C.C.) lost to M. A. Oliveira and Miss Silva 12-21; lost to J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro 6-21; lost to L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro 13-21.

A. L. Fisher and Miss M. Stokes (K.C.C.) lost to Oliveira and Miss Silva 12-21; lost to Remedios and Miss Ribeiro 13-21; lost to Carvalho and Miss Ribeiro 14-21.

T. Kevan and Miss B. Parsons (K.C.C.) lost to Oliveira and Miss Silva 10-21; lost to Remedios and Miss Ribeiro 12-21; lost to Carvalho and Miss Ribeiro 8-21.

CITY COLLISION

A private motor car, owned and driven by a Chinese, was in collision with a tram car in front of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank shortly before nine o'clock this morning. The car was slightly damaged but no one was hurt. Traffic, however, was held up for a few minutes.

To Fight At Own Risk Premier And Volunteers For Finland

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuters).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, replying to questions on voluntary aid for Finland, said that he understood that terms of service for British subjects who had volunteered for service in an international force operating in Finland, had been arranged between the Finnish Air Bureau and the Finnish Government.

Labour M.P.'s Criticism

Mr. MacGovern (Independent Labour) asked whether it was not unjust and a great contradiction that volunteers who might be wounded or killed should be refused pensions when the League of Nations was prepared to give Finland assistance and the British Government was giving arms and permission to the volunteers to go.

Mr. Chamberlain said that the terms of service were properly arranged between those making arrangements for enlistment in Britain and the Finnish Government.

Questioned further on the matter of pensions, the Prime Minister declared: "They are volunteers and it is not a matter with which we are concerned."

Britons May Fight In Finland

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuters).—Sir John Anderson, the Home Secretary, stated to-day that no difficulties would be placed in the way of British subjects who desired to serve in Finland if they were volunteers approved by the Finnish Aid Bureau.

SPORT ADVTS.

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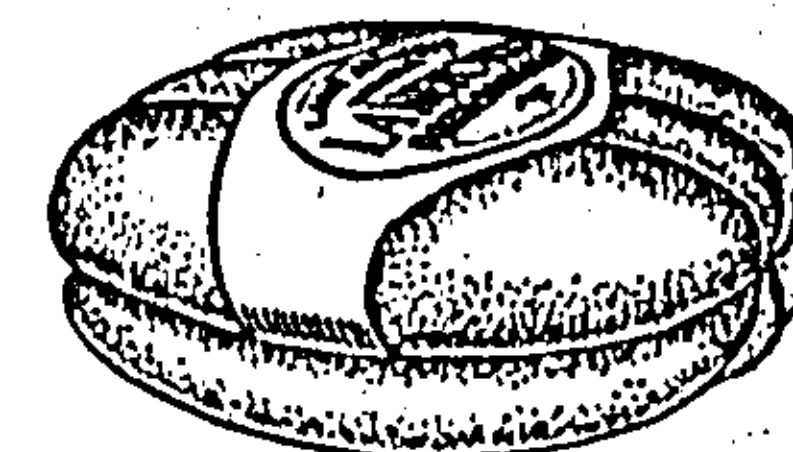
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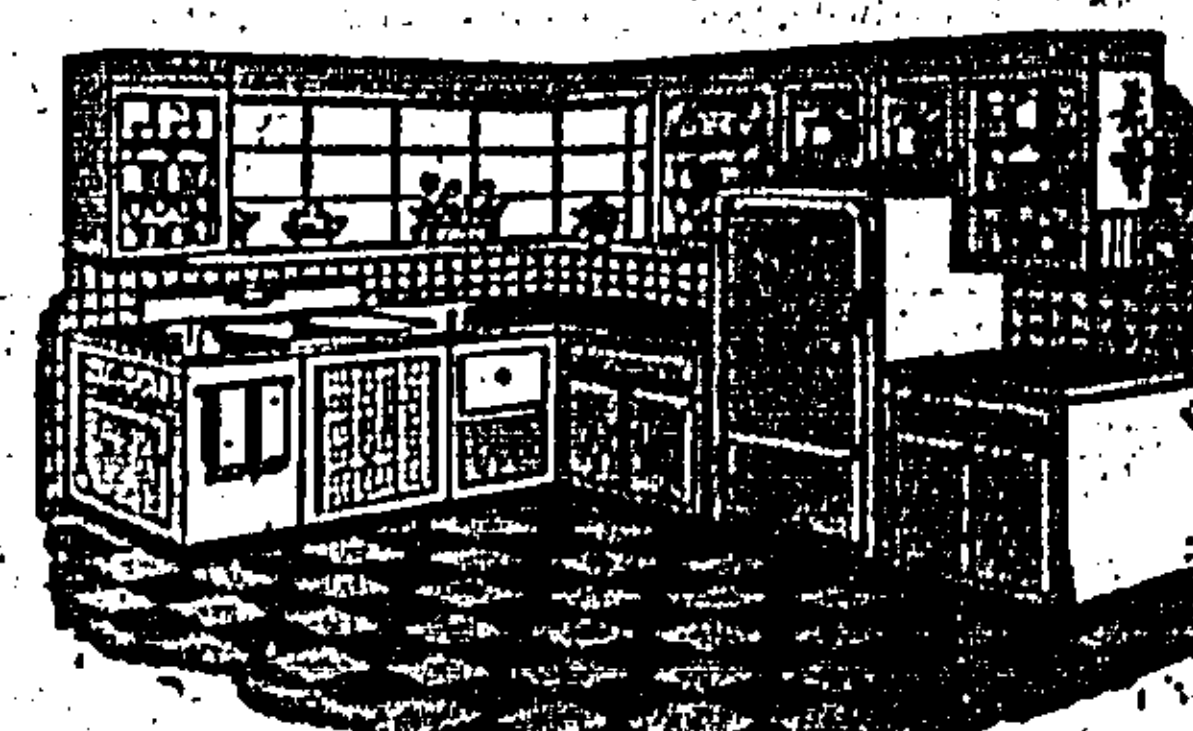
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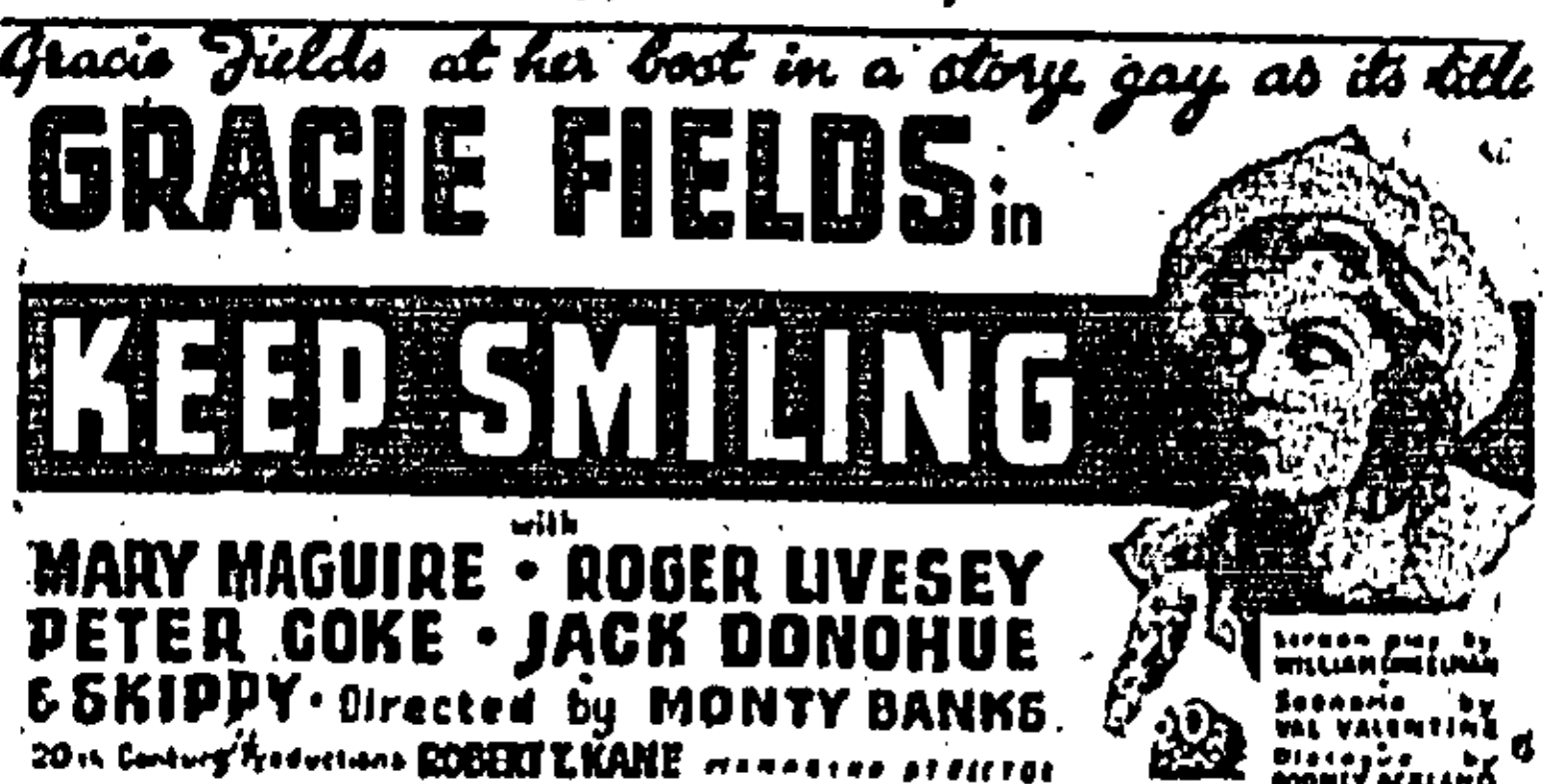
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AT THE FRONT

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ALSACE IN THE WAR

By RICHARD CAPELL, "Sunday Times" War Correspondent with the French Army

Between Belfort, the fortress that guards the famous gap between the Vosges and the Jura, and Mulhouse, in Alsace, there are still to be seen relics of the last war—battered pill boxes and the like.

In 1870 Belfort gloriously withstood the German assault, but to travel over this ground is to realise even more vividly than the maps tell you how uncomfortably close the frontiers of the peace of 1871 brought the Germans to this gateway to the interior of France when in 1914 it had again to be defended. The "Belfort Gap" is, geographically speaking, what it always was, but, militarily speaking, how comfortable is the position as established by the peace of 1919?

Belfort, the much tried and the much besieged, can survey the new war with a lordly sense of security. The bastions of the mountains to left and right serve the fortress as they have always done; but the eastern line of defence is now flung far forward. It is the Rhine, and the Rhine to-day is a barrier against the invader such as it has never been from the dawn of time.

A War of Toil

An invitation from the Army which guards this front afforded an opportunity of seeing in much detail the fortified lines and of appraising the spirit of the troops. The work done in the last few months has, put in general terms, made assurance doubly and trebly sure. It has been a war not of fighting but of incessant laborious toil.

Nothing more different from 1914 is conceivable, and it would falsify the picture not to mention that one has fairly often heard signs for the opportunity of winning glory and renown. It is a dull war, a comparison the front in Lorraine and in the Northern Vosges is: adventurous. But this war, which for the rank and file consists so largely of sheer navvying, has revealed in the French soldier a prodigious capacity for dogged work. What he has here accomplished in these uneventful and tedious months amounts roughly to this—while a German invasion of Alsace in September would have been hazardous, it would now appear to be hazardous to a higher degree of improbability. Not that the smallest measure of probability is ruled out by the French Command.

This was interestingly demonstrated to the visitor in an excursion to the friendly frontier of Switzerland. Less celebrated than the Belfort Gap, there is a secondary gap, near Swiss territory. There were indications in November that the Germans were not indisposed to contemplate the venture in the north-west corner of Switzerland. If the charming scenery in this gap had really induced them to pay that pastoral land a visit they would not have taken the French by surprise. It would have been an adventure.



ON LEAVE

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entailing far more than ordinary mountaineering risks; and a large number of industrious Frenchmen are engaged in rendering any such excursion less and less attractive as each month goes by.

Becoming More French

There is in Alsace an interesting side aspect of the war. It raises the question—will not Alsace in the future be more French than ever before? In peacetime one always had a feeling there of a little country of independent character. But to-day a broad strip of Alsace along the river has been evacuated. The inhabitants have taken refuge in the interior of France. The younger people at least must be losing their accent and becoming more "Frenchified," while the immense number of French troops quartered in the non-evacuated towns and villages of the country must also, as time goes on, make for Franco-Alsatian unification.

The local newspapers are published in German, and in such a town as Colmar one has the feeling of being in Switzerland. But the people have welcomed the troops wholeheartedly; while the Alsatians' contribution to the ranks of the French Army is very appreciable.

LATE NEWS

But We Have Super-Fighter

GERMANY has two new-type bombers but their secrets are out already.

Bomber No. 1, a four-engined seaplane capable of carrying 20 bombs, made its first appearance when the unarmed British steamer Highwave was bombed and machine-gunned on Tuesday, says a

Homeside reporter.

Up to now Germany has used only twin-engined Heinkels and Dorniers to attack British shipping.

The new bomber is believed to be of the HA 140 class—a military version of the four-engined commercial HA 139 planes built for the Deutsche Luft Hansa for trans-ocean flights.

According to Jane's "All the World's Aircraft," the HA 139s have four 510 h.p. Junkers heavy oil engines. Their maximum speed is 165.6 m.p.h., cruising speed 161.5 m.p.h., and their range is 3,100 miles. The crew of the Dutch motor-ship Rian, who saw the attack on the Highwave, say that the bomber released its bombs in groups of five, from about 1,000 ft.

The Rian was lifted 4 ft. in the water by the force of the explosions.

Bomber No. 2 was described in an Air Ministry statement yesterday, and is a high-speed, twin-engined Junkers—the JU 88.

It has not been used to any great extent, but the Air Ministry says: "It may be assumed that considerable numbers of the type are likely to form part of any full-scale attack against Britain."

The main facts about the JU 88 are these:

(1) Although its maximum speed of about 315 m.p.h. is high for a bomber, its range at a cruising speed of 265 m.p.h. is only 1,300 miles—less than half that of the British Wellington.

(2) The JU 88 has three gun positions—one in the nose and one above and one below the fuselage—but it has no tail gun.

After their experience with British fighters and bombers the Nazi experts may try to find a way out of this failing, but the design of the JU 88 is against it.

The maximum "ceiling" of the JU 88 is just under 30,000 ft., or nearly six miles, but even this is no protection against British fighters, such as the eight-gun, 367 m.p.h. Spitfire.

And the answer: To overcome the limitations of fixed machine-guns, which prevent "broadside" attacks, a new two-seater fighter, the Boulton Paul Defiant is being developed for the R.A.F.

The Defiant an all-metal plane, will have a power-driven gun turret, housing a battery of guns and operated by a trained air-gunner.

Flying alongside a formation of hostile bombers, the Defiant gunner would be able to rake them from nose to tail.

The Defiant is a low-wing monoplane with single Rolls-Royce Merlin engine of over 1,000 h.p. The wing area is 250 square feet—a little more than that of the Spitfire and Hurricane fighters.

HERTZOG FACES BAD DEFEAT

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—In the South-West Africa elections, the Nationalist Party, which is pro-Hertzog and is supported by Germans in South-West Africa, is being badly defeated.

So far the United Party has won ten elected seats and the Nationalist Party only one. There is still one outstanding result.

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RELATIONS BETWEEN RUSSIA AND BRITAIN DETERIORATING, REPORT

London Press Gives Prominence to Rumours of Diplomatic Rupture

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, FEB. 23 (DOMEI).—RELATIONS BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND THE U.S.S.R. ARE RAPIDLY DETERIORATING, ACCORDING TO INFORMED QUARTERS. DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES EXPRESS THE BELIEF THAT THE RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR, M. MAISKY, WILL SHORTLY BE RECALLED BY THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT.

The British Ambassador, Sir William Seeds, has already returned to London from Moscow and will not return to his post.

London newspapers feature the increasing danger of a Red offensive in the Near East and banner the concentration of British warships off Petsamo and Murmansk.

King Carol Calls 2,000,000 To Colours

MOBILISATION OF RUMANIAN ARMIES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BUCHAREST, Feb. 23 (UP).—The Rumanian Government has extended Mobilisation orders to cover all remaining Reservists.

The entire army will be called to the Colours by Friday next week, on which date Rumania will have 2,000,000 men under arms.

Mobilisation coincides with increasing tension over the German demands for an increased percentage of Rumania's oil supplies, together with disquieting reports of anti-Rumanian activity in Hungary.

There is a constant procession of wagons towards the frontiers, carrying big guns, ammunition, petrol and other supplies. Much of the activity is directed towards the Hungarian frontier.

With the arrival of Dr. Karl Clodius, the German plenipotentiary, in Bucharest next week, Hitler is expected to demand the entire oil output of Rumania.

Carol Signs Decree
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BUCHAREST, Feb. 23 (Domei).—Simultaneously with the extension of Mobilisation to all reservists today, King Carol has signed a decree forbidding the export of all raw materials needed for National Defence.

The decree does not at present apply to oil or wheat.

German Demands?
BUCHAREST, Feb. 23 (Reuter).—An indication of the increasing pressure on Rumania regarding the delivery of oil supplies is contained in an announcement that Dr. Clodius, the German economic expert, is to arrive in Bucharest on Monday.

There are rumours that Germany is demanding the doubling up of shipments of oil in view of the failure (because of weather conditions) to maintain full contract supplies in the last two or three months.

Anxiety as to possible developments is revealed by rumours of further substantial mobilisation plans by King Carol.

Talks Start In Sofia
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SOFIA, Feb. 23 (Domei).—For the first time since the Great War, a Rumanian Minister visited the Bulgarian capital today.

The Rumanian Foreign Minister, M. Constantinesco, is here to confer with the Bulgarian Foreign Minister regarding the impending Bulgarian-Rumanian agreement. Diplomatic circles believe that the Rumanian Foreign Minister will also bring up the subject of the Bulgarian minority in Rumania, and of the old-standing Bulgarian claims for the return of Dobruja, which was ceded to Rumania after the Great War. It is believed that M. Constantinesco will be followed by the Rumanian Foreign Minister, M. Gafencu.

Reactions To Sink-on-Sight Policy

German Ruthlessness Angers the Neutrals

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Neutral indignation at the sinking of neutral ships by Germany is growing more and more.

Norway is still the greatest sufferer, the latest two losses bringing her total, since the war began, to 51 ships totalling over 175,000 tons, while the lives of 350 Norwegian seamen have been lost.

HOCH DER KAISER

—NAZI SLOGAN?

Hitler's Next Move For Peace

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 23 (Domei).—Herr Hitler, according to neutral reports reaching Amsterdam, is contemplating the restoration of the Monarchy in Germany as a "trump card" to use against the Allies in his next peace move.

Rumours of another peace gesture are persistently circulating in Nazi political circles in Berlin, although reports of a March offensive are also current.

Reports from reliable sources indicate that Hitler will order intensification of Nazi aerial and naval attacks on Britain until about August, when he will launch his new peace gesture in the hope that the British people will be "fed up" with the war.

It is believed that Hitler's "peace terms" will be:
1.—Re-distribution of Colonies;
2.—Re-organisation of world economy;
3.—General disarmament.
Britain's essential war aims are stated to be:
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Deterioration of relations between the two countries is believed to have been aggravated by the action of the British Government in officially sanctioning the recruitment of volunteers for Finland.

Some circles predict that if diplomatic relations are ruptured, Soviet Russia may eventually be involved in the European War.

ACTION AGAINST NAZI SHIPS?

LONDON, Feb. 23 (Reuter).—Reports that British warships are off Petsamo are circulating to-day, the "Times" giving them great prominence.

It is thought that possibly the British are preparing to take action against Nazi ships similar to the Altmark case.

Official circles in London decline to make any further comment on the Altmark case or on



Norway's refusal to intern the Nazi "hell ship". These circles also frown on speculations as to
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BIG U.S. SHIP STOPPED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Feb. 23 (Domei).—The 24,300-ton United States Line's trans-Atlantic liner Manhattan, largest vessel of the U.S. merchant marine, has been halted in mid-Atlantic by British and French warships, according to radio messages received here to-day.

The stoppages occurred at separate points. Boarding parties went aboard the ship and, it is alleged, confiscated the mails.

The Manhattan was en route to New York from Genoa. It is stated that the United States Government will lodge protests with both Britain and France.

AMERICAN JOURNALIST SEES TOKYO POVERTY

"EVERYBODY in Japan is wearing old clothes as they are not allowed to buy new ones. There is practically no sugar or salt in the country. These are just some of the pinches the people were experiencing at home as a result of the war."

These observations were made by Mr. Jim Marshall, Associate Editor of the well known "Collier's Magazine." He arrived in Hongkong to-day by an American liner from San Francisco. He is accompanied by his wife.



SAYING IT BY BOMBER

"THE German Air Force will strike at Britain with such an onslaught as has never before been known in history as soon as Hitler orders counter-measures to the British blockade."

These were the words of Field-Marshal Goering in an article in his newspaper, the "Voeikischer Beobachter" to-day.

"German warplanes," he said, "still content themselves with surveying with sharp eyes Britain's war measures. All that is needed is the Fuehrer's command for them to carry over loads of destructive bombs instead of a load of cameras."

HEINKEL BOMBERS TRAPPED IN RAID

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Feb. 22 (UP).—Heinkel bombers ran into a virtual trap of concentrated anti-aircraft gunfire and speedy Spitfire pursuit planes when they attempted to repeat yesterday's raid on east coast shipping to-day.

Powerful R.A.F. counter-attacks not only repulsed the raiders but succeeded in bringing down two of their bombers.

For the first time, the Germans felt the full weight of the Admiralty's recent plan of equipping small coastal vessels with anti-aircraft guns.

An unsuspecting Heinkel which launched an attack on a small trawler off the Norfolk coast found that its victim, far from being unarmed, was equipped with a deadly sting.

The gun-crew of the trawler remained under cover until the Nazi plane swooped down to "finish her off" at close range.

They then opened such a concentrated blast of machine-gun and A.A. fire on the plane that, had it not been for the enemy's new bullet-proof petrol tanks another victim would have been added to to-day's British successes.

Badly Peppared

The Nazi plane was so badly peppared by the trawler's machine-gun fire that she made no further attempt to attack but made off in the direction of the continent.

The trawlers Emulator, Crystal Cardew and Acuba were strafed off the east coast. Another Heinkel is also reported to have machine-gunned and bombed
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Brother And Sister Suspected Spies

BRUSSELS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—A German employed at the German Consulate in Antwerp, the shipping official at Ghent, and his sister, have been arrested on suspicion of espionage.

FLIRTING WITH THE JAPANESE?

Nazi Envoys Arrived In Tokyo

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Feb. 23 (Domei).—Considerable interest is being displayed in the French Press at the arrival in Tokyo of the Duke of Saxe-Coburg Gotha, President of the German Red Cross Society, and Dr. Emil Helfferich, President of the Hamburg-Amerika Line, according to the Paris Correspondent of the "Hoch Shimshun."

The Correspondent reports that the impression prevails in Paris that the German visitors are in Tokyo in connection with Nazi attempts to revive the anti-Comintern Pact.

Hitler torpedoed the Agreement when he signed his new pact with Soviet Russia.

It is believed in Paris that the distinguished Germans will attempt to explain to the Japanese Government the reasons why Hitler signed a pact with Stalin.

The opinion is expressed, however, that any attempts to revive the agreement between Germany, Italy and Japan are hopeless.

Nevertheless, developments in Tokyo will be watched closely in Paris, the report states.

LATEST

LABOUR LEADER DUE IN H.K.

Sir Stafford Cripps, the former British Labour Party leader is expected to arrive by plane on a visit to the Colony during the week-end. He will stay at Government House and will be entertained at several private functions.

Sir Stafford is still a member of Parliament. He recently withdrew from the Labour Party owing to differences of opinion and is now making a trip around the world to investigate conditions.

After a comprehensive tour of Free China, Sir Stafford is expected to stay several days in Hongkong before proceeding to the United States.

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8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

7.03 Studio-Recital by Father O'Mara (Baritone) and A. T. Lay (Piano).—1. To the Sea, A. T. Lay at the Piano; 2. (a) A Fairy Story By The Fire, (b) Golden Age of Innocence, Father O'Mara (Baritone) with Piano accompaniment; 3. A. D. 1800, A. T. Lay at the Piano; 4. (a) A Border Ode, (b) Thanks be to God, Father O'Mara (Baritone) with Piano accompaniment.

8.30 Haydn—Symphony No. 96 in D Major—Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Bruno Walter.

8.55 Studio-Talk on Psychology by Father O'Mara, S. J.—2. "My Own Back Pack: What I Did and What I Didn't Do There".

9.03 Light Orchestra—"Musette Et Tambourin, Menuet, Orchestre Symphonique de Paris; Gypsy Serenade, Tango Torero, George Boulanger and His Orchestra".

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"World Affairs".

9.45 B.B.C. Recording—"Monsieur Beauchamp"—Adapted for Broadcast from Booth Tarkington's novel and the light opera libretto by Frederick Langbridge, by Gordon McConnell. Lyrics by Adrian Ross. Music by Andre Messager. Produced by Gordon McConnell and Rex Haworth. 11.00 Close Down.

No Huntin' Allowed In France

THE FRENCH authorities will not allow hunting folk in Britain to send packs of hounds for the benefit of fox-hunters and baggers in the B.E.F.

"The Ministry of the Interior are flatly turning down all applications from officers and men in France who wish to continue the sport over there as means of exercise and training," a former M.F.H. said.

"It seems unlikely that we shall be able to send any hounds across the Channel after all."

A British officer writing from France in this week's "Horse and Hound" states that he has been refused permission to hunt over certain areas. He asked why.

"The first reply received," he writes, "was that the French, unlike

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Fifty-first Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Registered Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building, on Thursday, 21st March, 1940, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1939, electing Directors and Auditors and fixing their fees.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 9th March to 21st March, 1940, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON, & CO., LTD.
Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1940.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held in the Colony of Hong Kong, at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon on Thursday, the 21st day of March, 1940, or as soon thereafter as the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Company shall have terminated, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolution as a special resolution:—

"That the Capital of the 'Company' be increased from its 'present Capital of \$5,000,000' 'Hong Kong currency divided into 600,000 shares of \$10 each' 'to \$18,000,000 Hong Kong currency divided into 1,800,000 'shares of \$10 each and that 'such additional shares shall 'rank in all respects pari passu 'with the original Capital of the 'Company.'"

And for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolutions, namely:—

"1. That the Directors be 'and they are hereby authorised 'to capitalise the sum of \$3,000,000 'Hong Kong currency part of 'the undivided profits of the 'Company standing to the credit 'of the Company's Reserve Fund 'and to allot to the Members 'holding shares of the Company 'as on the 1st day of July, 1940, 'in respect of the net amount 'capitalised fully paid shares of 'the Company of equivalent 'nominal value in the proportion of one share for every two 'shares of the Company then 'held by such persons' respectively and that such shares so 'allotted shall rank for dividends as from the 1st day of July, 1940.

"2. That if, on such distribution as aforesaid, any person 'would be entitled to a fractional share the Directors shall, 'in lieu of issuing fractional 'Certificates, cause the whole 'share to be allotted to a person 'or persons to be named by the 'Directors and such share shall, 'at such time as the Directors 'think fit, be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the 'persons entitled to the fractional shares making up such share."

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HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB

TENNIS TOURNAMENT 1940

Entries close on To-morrow, 24th February, 1940, at 6 p.m.

SNOW MANTLES GREEK CAPITAL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" ATHENS, Feb. 22 (UP).—The cold wave which is sweeping Greece has covered Athens with snow for the first time in five years.

A gale is raging over the Aegean and Ionian Seas and all ships have postponed their departures from Piraeus.

Elementary schools are closed. The temperature in some places is as low as 10 degrees below zero.

The English, treated the war in a more serious manner, as it was their country at stake. It was pointed out that the French were determined to put all their efforts into winning the war. Therefore, shooting was prohibited, so that there should be no waste of gunpowder and shot.

C. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 26th day of February, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at To Kwa Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Area in Acres	Upset Price
1	Between To Kwa Wan Road, South West of Kowloon Island Lot No. 4183.	N. 100 feet, S. 100 feet, E. 100 feet, W. 100 feet.	40,000	0.92	\$19,500

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No. of Lot	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Area in Acres	Upset Price
1	Between Rural Building Lot No. 433, Opposite Rural Building Lot No. 434, and Tiam, Tiam.	N. 100 feet, S. 100 feet, E. 100 feet, W. 100 feet.	40,000	0.92	\$7,500

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All claims must be sent in to me on or before 1st March, 1940, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyor Messrs. Goddard and Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10 a.m. on Monday 20th February, 1940.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL, Agent.

\$50,000 CLASSIC AT SANTA ANITA

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Mr. H. C. Hill's Sweepstake, ridden by Ralph Nicks, won the \$50,000 Santa Anita Derby to-day over a mile and one furlong.

Mr. R. C. Stable's Royal Crusader was second and Mr. W. Ziegler, Jr.'s Welsh Anchor third.

The time was 1 min. 51 3/8 secs. Seventeen horses ran in the race.

HEINKEL BOMBERS TRAPPED IN RAID

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a large merchantman off Kinnaird Head. Details are lacking.

Two Bombers Downed

The first Nazi bomber brought down near its base at Stables Head, north of the Firth of Forth. It crashed in a field near a farm on the outskirts of Cordingham, 12 miles north of Berwick.

The second bomber fell into the sea off Northumberland.

The latest R.A.F. successes show the total number of raiders shot since September 1 to 49. In addition, nine others were so badly damaged that they are believed to have been forced down at sea whilst attempting to return home.

Britain thus far has not lost one plane in the engagements off the coast of over England and Scotland.

Nazi Plane Shot Following Chase LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—A Heinkel plane which was shot down in the sea to-day was destroyed after a 30 mile chase through the clouds by Hawker and Hurricane fighters.

The pilots saw the plane break up and dive into the water.

The pilots are members of a squadron which recently brought down three Heinkels in two days.

The Flight Lieutenant who led the formation helped to shoot down a raider which crashed near Whitby three weeks ago.

The Heinkel which crashed at Stables Head was chased by Spitfires and crashed after one of its engines stopped working.

The pilot set the machine on fire before the police arrived to arrest the crew.

Allied Air Successes

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Reuter's special correspondent with the R.A.F. states that the Allied fighters and anti-aircraft guns have shot down 47 German bombers in France since the war began.

Unpleasant Surprise

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Two Nazi planes, which aimed bombs at a British trawler off the Norfolk coast, got an unpleasant surprise to-day.

The trawler was alone about a mile from the shore and seemed an easy prey. The bombers flew in low to attack and received a hail of bullets from the vessel's new machine-gun.

The planes quickly disappeared and the trawler went on her way unharmed.

There was considerable air activity on the Norfolk coast after the attack. British fighter aircraft were seen roaring out and later an explosion was heard.

Raid On Heligoland

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—It is reported that British planes, flying over Borkum and Heligoland, attacked several German torpedo boats. The results of the attacks are not yet known.

The Royal Air Force is stated to have made many reconnaissance flights in the North Sea during the last day or two.

AMERICAN JOURNALIST SEES TOKYO POVERTY

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and shoulder, and from which he has not fully recovered. For some time after he was invalided back to America he was unable to speak.

A severe drought has added to Japan's difficulties and there is now a great shortage of electric power.

Maybe It Was Oriental Music, Mr. Marshall!

If you try and play an electric gramophone it makes a terrible noise as the motor only runs at a very slow speed," he said.

As a result of the petrol shortage there were very few private cars on the roads.

"You can buy about 32 yen in Japan for £1, although the official rate is approximately 16.80 yen for £1," he added.

As a warning to Japan, America was pouring money into Hawaii to increase its power as a naval and military base.

"More of the battle fleet and reconnaissance ships have now been brought to Hawaii and when I was there on the way across I learned about the construction of new dry docks. Tankers and naval supply vessels can be built in Hawaii as a result of the improvements," he said.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

T.T. London	1/218
Demand do.	1/218
T.T. Shanghai	343
T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	103 1/4
T.T. India	82 1/4
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/4
T.T. Manila	48 1/4
T.T. Batavia	150 1/4
T.T. Bangkok	103 1/4
T.T. Saigon	105 1/4
T.T. France	107 1/4
T.T. Switzerland	107 1/4
T.T. Australia	107 1/4

BUYING

4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P do.	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25 3/4
4 m/s India	11 1/4
30 d/s India	8 1/4
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/4
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.00 1/4

H. K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS
H. K. Banks, S. C. D. 1,450 b. sa.
H. K. Banks (Lon. Reg.) 87 n.
H. K. Banks (H.K. Reg.) 80 n.

Chartered 220 b. sa.
Mercantile, A. & B. 31 n.
Mercantile, C. 13 1/2 n.
East Asia 78 n.

INSURANCES
Canton 220 b. sa.
Union 475 b. sa.
China Underwriter 1 s.
H.K. Fire 185 b. sa.

SHIPPING
Douglases 100 b. sa.
Steamboats 10 1/2 n.
Indo-China P.S. 100 n.
Indo-China D.S. 80 n.
Shell (Brokers) 78 1/2 n.
Waterboats 7 1/4 n.

DOCKS ETC.
Wharves 102 n.
Docks 22 1/2 b.
Providentia 470 b.
Sh. Docks Sh. 34 1/4 n.

MINING
Kailan s/- 10/- n.
Haub's 10/- n.
Venz Gold 4 n.
H.K. Mines 3 1/2 cts. n.

LANDS
Hotels 505 n.
Lands 38 1/2 n.
Lands 4% Debentures 100 n.
Shui Land Sh. 18.60 n.
Humphreys 7.70 b.
H.K. Realities 4 1/2 n.
Chinese Estates 101 n.

INDUSTRIALS
Trams s/- 17.65 n.
Peak Trams (old) 8 n.
Peak Trams (new) 4 n.
Star Ferries 64 b.
Y. Ferries 25 b.
China Lights (old) 8 b.
China Lights (new) 3.05 b.
H.K. Electric 60 b.
Macao Electric 20 b.
Sandakan Lights 11 1/4 b.
Telephones (old) 27 1/2 b.
Telephones (new) 9 1/2 b.
Traction s/- 19.6 n.
Traction (Pref.) s/- 10.0 n.

STOCKS, ETC.
Cald. Macg. (Ord.) Sh. 14.90 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pref.) Sh. 12 n.
Canton Ice 1 n.
Cements s/- 0.10 n.
H.K. Ropes s/- 0.10 n.

DAIRY FARMS (old) 22 1/2 s.
Dairy Farms (new) 21 1/2 s.
Watsons s/- 0.45 sa.
Lane, Crawfords s/- 1 1/4 n.
Singer s/- 1.40 n.
Wing On (H.K.) s/- 1.40 n.
Fowell, Ltd. s/- 1.40 n.

COTTON MILLS
Ewo Sh. 30 1/4 n.
Shui Cotton Sh. 170 n.
Zong Sing Sh. 44 n.
Wing On Textile, Sh. 40 1/4 n.

ENTERTAINMENTS
H.K. Entertainments s/- 7 1/4 b.
Constructions (old) 1 1/4 n.
Constructions (new) 1 n.
Vibro Piling s/- 8 1/4 n.
C. Govt. 5% 1925 50 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 4 1/2 Loan 100 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2 Loan 95 n.
Marsmans (Lon.) s/- 14 1/2 n.
Marsmans (H.K.) s/- 4 1/4 n.

GERMAN RUTHLESSNESS ANGRERS THE NEUTRALS

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can hardly leave Swedish people in doubt as to where their real interest lies.

Has Opposite Effect LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The Nazis' ruthless efforts, apparently aimed at breaking the nerves of the men manning British trawlers and fishing craft, have had the opposite effect.

As already reported, there has been a great response of fishermen and volunteers for mine-sweeping work. Older men are just as keen, however, and in the House of Commons, next week, the Prime Minister will be asked to consider abolishing the maximum age limit of 45.

New Dutch Protest

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Holland has lodged another protest with Germany against the sinking of Dutch ships and flights of Nazi aircraft over Holland.

These incidents are causing a cumulative softening of public sentiment in Holland.

No more outrages such as the sinking of Dutch ships can now be accepted, it is felt, and since paper protests do not prevail, Holland may have to adopt sterner measures.

RELATIONS BETWEEN RUSSIA AND BRITAIN DETERIORATING, REPORT

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what Britain may do about the A-mark case.

Black Sea Manoeuvres SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" MOSCOW, Feb. 23 (UP).—It is reported from Sebastopol that the Russian Black Sea Fleet has completed extensive manoeuvres.

Units have now returned to their bases.

According to the C. in. C., all classes of ships participating in the manoeuvres were of recent construction.

The Black Sea Fleet has brilliantly fulfilled the tasks set by the command, he declared.

Naval Units Off Potosmo PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The situation in the far north as a result of the reported presence of British warships in the neighbourhood of Potosmo, has become so sharply aggravated, that dramatic events may be expected any moment, declares a correspondent of the "Afton Bladet."

The Soviet Government, it is reported in Moscow, will not take any action against Great Britain so long as the British fleet moves outside Russian territorial limits, which are being closely guarded by Red naval units. But immediately the British enter Russian waters, the Red navy will start war operations.

It is thought in Moscow that the aim of the British warships is to hinder German-Russian trade via Murmansk.

The correspondent says that there is uneasiness in Moscow at the reported sudden appearance of British naval units near Potosmo.

It is not believed, however, that the British warships will start operations against the Soviets.

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Red Fleet Ready STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The Russian Navy Commander M. Kiselev, has left for Murmansk by air, according to the Moscow correspondent of the "Afton Bladet."

The same correspondent declares that the whole Red fleet in the Arctic Ocean is prepared for action.

Air Battle Rumours SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (UP).—An extra edition of the "Afton Bladet" reports from Oslo that there were reports of an air battle off Potosmo this morning.

Two squadrons of bombers are reported to have participated in the battle. They were at such a great height it was impossible to identify their nationalities.

Air Battle In Progress SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BERGEN, Feb. 22 (UP).—A heavy air battle is reported to be in progress off the north coast of Norway between planes of unidentified nationalities.

Reports from Stavanger say a squadron of submarines are cruising off Lofoten, in which the Almark is aground.

Soviet Fleet Stands By SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Domel).—Coming at a moment when Allied anti-Soviet feelings are said to be mounting in connection with the Soviet-German dispute, reports that British warships had appeared near Potosmo in northern Finland has caused consternation among Kremlin leaders, according to information reaching here.

Following receipt of the reports, Admiral Kuznetsov, the People's Commissar of Navy, was hurriedly dispatched to Murmansk, while the Soviet Arctic Fleet has been ordered to stand by.

Soviet Government authorities are said to be seriously concerned over reported British moves to interfere with Soviet-German trade.

Soviet official circles have intimated that should the British Navy sink Soviet merchant ships in an attempt to prevent Soviet-German trade, the action will immediately lead to armed strife between Britain and the Soviet Union.

Warships Off Potosmo SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" KIRKENES, Feb. 22 (Domel).—Several British warships are now cruising off Potosmo. It is understood that the British naval action is calculated to prevent German merchant ships from using Norwegian waters for Soviet-German trade.

Arctic Base For U-Boats? PARIS, Feb. 23.—According to the "Paris Soir," a base for enemy submarines has been established at Klovnya Bay, six miles from Murmansk, with facilities for refuelling.

It is suggested that the provision of this base formed part of the German-Soviet agreement.

If this report is correct, it is probable that the U-boats which have recently been busy torpedoing merchant vessels in Norwegian territorial waters are operating from there.

These submarines would be in no danger whatever of attack, since they would be navigating in territorial waters while on their way both to and from the base.

Lovely Mary Haines, a happy wife and devoted mother is a member of New York's wealthy "gossip" set. One day, Sylvia Fowler, an ace-meddler, finds that Mary's husband Stephen is "romancing" Crystal Allen, a pretty salesgirl. Then Mary learns of it but for her child's sake, she takes her mother's advice, says nothing to Stephen and goes to Bermuda. But on her return she encounters Crystal at a fashion show. They quarrel and Edith, Sylvia's friend, gives the details to a gossip columnist. The publicity breaks and as a result of it and the advice of her poison-tongued friends, Mary quarrels with Stephen and goes to Reno. Now, the eve of her divorce, Stephen calls her to say he is marrying Crystal.

A YEAR had passed, a year of sorrow, of heartache and the gradual recognition of a new set of values.

Yes, Mary had learned something that pride and ego often go before a fall and that, after all, compromise has its virtues if it can bring happiness in the end.

hadn't worked. "How do you like my haircomb, mother."

THE telephone rang and she snatched it. "Hello. Yes? Oh, hello Stephen."

She began to tingle. "Why, yes, little Mary will be at your house at seven." This was the weekly visit. "And Stephen," she went on hurriedly, glad of this opportunity to discuss a matter that had been on her mind, "there's no reason why you should bounce out of a night

gown." She nibble at a nail. "I wonder if he is."

"If he's what?"

"Why—I don't know—happy, I guess."

It was long after midnight when she returned that night. Then, for a few moments she stood in front of the mirror and postured gracefully. All at once she turned around. Little Mary was standing there. "Hello darling."

"Hello." The child climbed into her mother's bed. "I had a bad dream Mummy. Who were you pretending to dance with?"

Mary laughed. "I wasn't exactly pretending darling. I was remembering. I danced with your daddy to-night."

"Oh that's fine." She closed her eyes. "Mummy, this is the only nice thing about a divorce, getting a chance to sleep with your mother sometimes. Hurry and get into bed."

A FEW moments later, she was cuddled into her Mary's arms. "You know," she said drowsily, "you're a very sym-



I'll bet she heard who Crystal was talking to."

Mary jumped up electrified. Quickly, she went to the telephone and dictated a telegram to Sylvia. They must forget their differences at Reno. She was giving a dinner party at the Moon and Stars Roof for all the Reno-vites on Friday. Wouldn't Sylvia please come?

Her first move the next day was to see that Stephen knew through Little Mary that she'd be at the roof on Friday. He'd manoeuvre things to see her, she was certain. Now, all of her ideas about fair play had vanished. She was a fighting woman, out to get the man she loved.

Friday night arrived and everyone was present, including the Countess who immediately began to moon about her young husband Buck. All of the girls were gathered together in the dressing room

carrying on, eh?" With a flourish she pulled a key from her bag. "Here. I took this out of her dressing table drawer. I don't know who he is but she meets him at the Gothic Arms every afternoon."

It was a far bigger haul than Mary had hoped for. But without a tremor, she took it then sent a message outside. A moment later, Crystal appeared. Mary nodded sweetly and held out the key.

"Well, Mrs. Haines, there's no point in a scene, but it seems that this belongs to you."

Crystal turned a beet red. "So what? I'm not the only person who has a key to a Gothic apartment."

Mary nodded patiently. "I'm only warning you my dear. I think it's very friendly of me to come to you first with it instead of Stephen."

"Listen you fool," Crystal snarled. "I like what I got and I'm

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DB7748	to Enigma Variations	B.B.C. Sym. Orchestra under Sir Adrian Boult.
DB7749	to Symphony in D minor	Philadelphia Sym. Orchestra under Leopold Stokowsky.
DB7750	to Symphony No. 3 "Eroica"	London Philharmonic Orchestra under Serge Koussevitzky.
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The Women

She was pinning on a corsage of flowers and waiting for Michael Fenimore to call for her one evening when her mother walked into her boudoir.

"You know, darling," Mrs. Morehead said, looking around, "I wish you'd change the furniture here and in your bedroom. You've done the rest of the apartment over. Why do you keep this old stuff here?"

"I like it. I feel at home with it."

Her mother smiled gently. "But doesn't it remind you of things you want to forget?"

"It reminds me of things I don't want to forget." She knew what her mother was thinking. Why didn't she marry again? She'd tried to fall in love with some of her beaux, especially nice Michael, but it

club all the time because I bounce in, is there? We may as well be civilised and forget we were ever married." She laughed. "I know Stephen, it's sweet of you not to want to forget it but—what? Of course I'll dance with you sometime. To-night? Well, I usually end up at El Morocco. O.K. Mister, I'll see you there." She hung up and looked at her mother with shining eyes.

"You know, I wonder —"

"What?"

"Everybody has made such a point of telling me how happy Stephen is—" She broke off. "I think I'll wear my new evening

pathetic mother. She's so silly."

"Who?"

"Crystal. I told Daddy so to-night."

"Oh you mustn't hurt your Daddy's feelings."

"Mummy, I think Daddy doesn't love her as much as you anyone. I told him that too but he said I mustn't tell you because naturally why do you care how he feels. Mummy?"

"Yes?" Mary hardly dared breathe. Could it be true? Was she really back again in Stephen's heart?

"Mother, what's anyone want with a telephone in the bathroom? Crystal has one and she was awful mad when I walked in on her while she was talking. She was talking as she saw Sylvia off in a corner affair with—"

Mary felt her skin tighten. Crystal betraying Stephen? And if he didn't care any longer—why, it might be the solution to everything. "Who was she talking to darling? Try to remember the name. Think hard, baby."

"It was—let's see. Oh yes, that's it—Baby."

"Oh, Mary fell back. "Was that all?"

"I didn't hear anything else. She hung up when she saw me. The telephone rang again just as I left and Cousin Sylvia went in."

No Red Cross Work
Germany And Russia Stop American Efforts
New York, Feb. 22.

A Washington despatch to the New York Times says Germany has effectively barred Red Cross aid for Poland, except in the Warsaw Government general district.

This was revealed when Mr. Norman Davis, Chairman of the United States Red Cross, announced an agreement made with Germany whereby representatives would be permitted to supervise the distribution of \$400,000 worth of medicines and warm clothing from the United States by the Polish German Red Cross.

The Nazis hold that other parts of German Poland have become an integral part of the Reich and cannot be entered by American workers. The Russians have also refused any concessions permitting entrance of Red Cross supervisors in Soviet-occupied Poland.

Because of the failure to permit unrestricted deliveries of Red Cross supplies, the feeling is stated to be growing in Washington that the Nazis are eliminating any Poles capable of leadership.—Reuter Bulletin.

ATTACK BY GOERING
Criticises Belgians For Buying U.S. Ships
London, Feb. 22.

The National Zeitung of Essen, Marshal Goering's mouthpiece, makes attacks on Belgium because a Belgian company has purchased eight

as she related her suspicions about her spouse's infidelity. "I've had five husbands," she wept and Buck's the first who ever told me what he really thought of me—in public. Oh, I'll find out who's stealing him from me. Just wait."

MARY nodded absently, then, as she saw Sylvia off in a corner by herself, her eyes lighted up. "Oh Sylvia darling," she gurgled, "how good to see you my dear. Why I thought you'd be looking worried and —"

"Me worried?" Sylvia stared at her. "What about?"

Mary hesitated, then took her arm. "Well I don't like to talk dear, but it's Crystal and the things she says about you. It isn't because I dislike her, understand but I don't think she should go around giving everyone the impression that you're carrying on a wild affair with —"

"Oh Mary, I'll black both her eyes. Who am I carrying on with?"

"Your psycho-analyst my dear. She's not only broadcasting it but she's making everybody laugh so darling. I didn't know she could be so funny."

For ten minutes Sylvia raved. Then she calmed down and a crafty look came into her eyes. "I'll fix that little guttersnipe. So I'm

going to keep it. You handed me your husband on a silver platter when you went to Reno but don't expect me to hand him back."

"I don't. I expect him to come all by himself."

"Attagirl, Mary," Sylvia yelled. The door was opened by Cigarettes, who handed Mary a note. She stared at it. The rolled up piece of paper was stuck through a key. Wonderingly, she read:

"Dear Mrs. Haines No. 1: Will you please tell Mrs. Haines No. 2 that this fell out of Buck's pocket? It seems to be a mate to the one you're arguing about. P.S. He drank a bit too much and started talking. P.S. No. 2 Will be in lobby. Please see me, Stephen."

Without a word Mary showed the message to Crystal. "You seem to be the 'other woman' in the Countess's case."

"Are you, Crystal?" Sylvia yelled, delighted. Then she looked at Mary and sudden realisation came to her. "Why Mary, you've been using us—acting the way we do."

"Yes," Crystal said, almost wonderingly, "you're just a cat like the rest of us."

Mary started for the door and Stephen. "Only it's taken me longer to sharpen my claws." She waved gaily. "Jungle red, Sylvia. Good night, ladies."

THE END

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American ships, says a German wire- less. The paper declares that the Belgian Government has sanctioned the transaction, which favours Britain and France and is destined to evade the American neutrality law to the advantage of the Western Powers.

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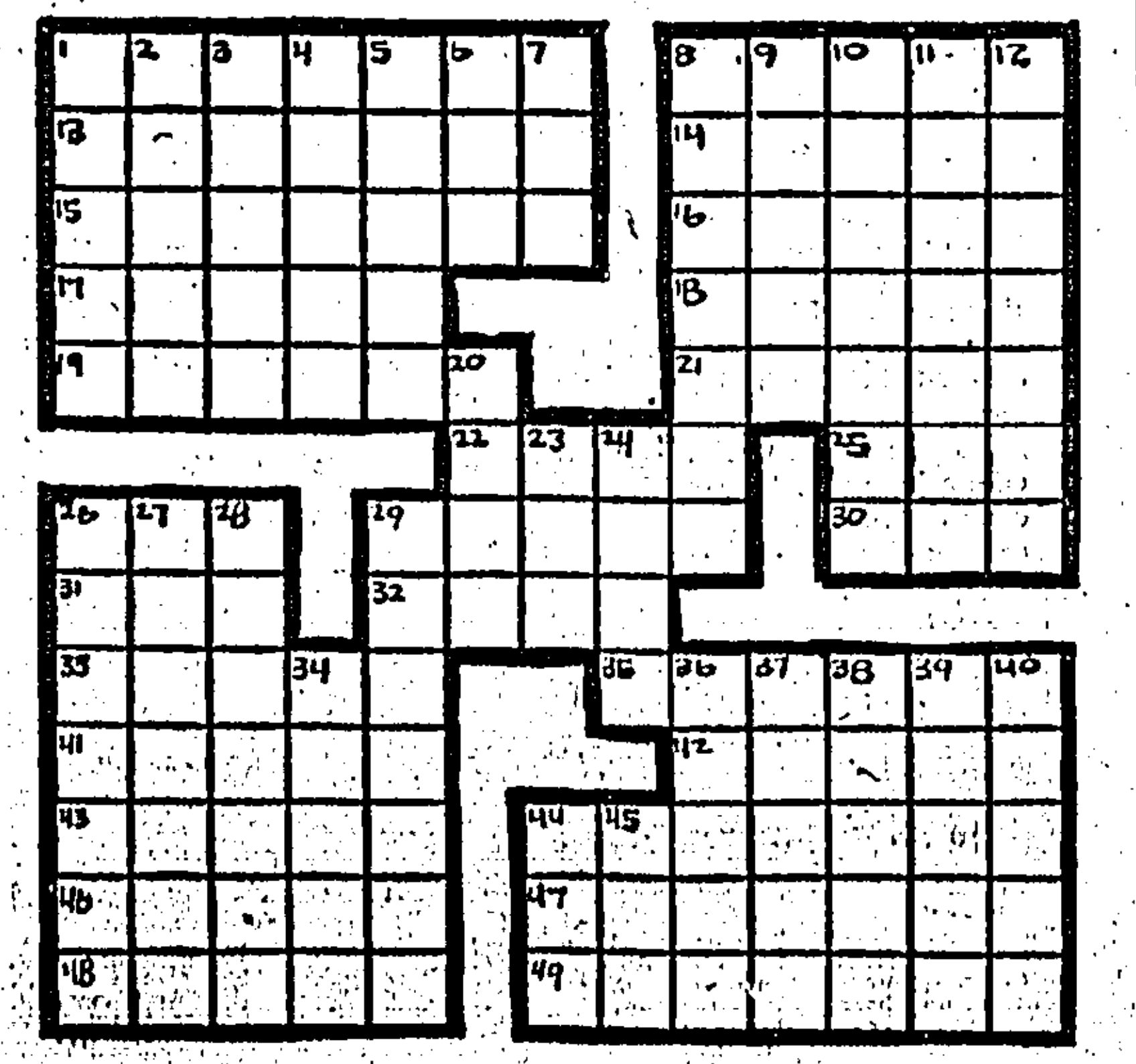
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Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS
1—Eaters of high seas
2—Fruit (name)
3—Put the into
4—Made according to
5—Price
6—Toothed
7—Harmful things
8—Put someone on
9—Weird
10—Shipwrecked
11—Abstract collection of being
12—Society
13—Short poem
14—Of the (French pl.)
15—"Idiot," writer of satirism
16—Waitress
17—Sink individuals at
18—That which moderates
19—Equivalent of ancient Rome
20—On top of
21—Four kidneys
22—Grows with vegetables
23—Grows of trees
24—Gilt

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE
1—Whales
2—Bananas
3—Class
4—Cakes
5—Tears into shreds
6—Long for
7—Whipped from circulation
8—Girl's name
9—Two
10—Reluctant
11—Play on words
12—Collection of Icelandic literature
13—Disappear as in water
14—Throne who remove seeds
15—Pertaining to bread
16—Of sheep
17—Made unfeeling
18—Wagon like halberd
19—Bulky package
20—Treat badly
21—One who carries toll
22—Happening
23—Violent passage
24—Watering place
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Taxi Driver's Presence Of Mind

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
SHANGHAI, Feb. 22 (UP).—The presence of mind of the chauffeur of a hire car, saved Mrs. Hsu Shing-loh from becoming the victim of kidnapers. Mrs. Hsu is the widow of the former Chairman of the China Commercial Bank, who died when a C.N.A.C. plane was machine-gunned by the Japanese while flying from Hongkong to Chungking in 1938. Two Chinese gunmen held up Mrs. Hsu, who was shopping near the city. The gunmen ordered her to enter the car but Mrs. Hsu screamed and the chauffeur, realising that something was wrong, abandoned his car and ran down Nanking Road. One gunman apparently attempted to overtake the chauffeur, who disappeared. The other gunman pushed Mrs. Hsu back into a shoe store and then made his escape.

The Empire's Unceasing War Effort

Encouraging Reports

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Reports of increased war effort continue to come from all parts of the Empire. In Southern Rhodesia yesterday, the acting Minister for Defence and Air said that three complete air training schools are to be established in that colony. When Mr. R. G. Casey, Australia's first Minister to Washington, arrived there on Wednesday, he said that Australia had recently purchased 100 planes as part of the programme of the 2,500 planes which Australia intends to contribute to the Empire. **Buying 500 Planes**
In Canada, the War Supply Board has approved the purchase of 500 aeroplanes with spares at the cost of £1,500,000. Mr. MacKenzie King announces in connection with the second Canadian Division for overseas that already 70,000 men are under arms in Canada's active service forces, 9,000 men in the air force and 6,000 men in the navy. This number will be increased by tens of thousands. Canada's air force co-operation squadron will soon be joining the first Canadian Division overseas. The Canadian Finance Minister announces that the way will cost Canada £125,000,000 for the year ending next month — £31,000,000 more than was originally estimated.

New Explosion At Waltham

Windows Shaken Over A Wide Area

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Feb. 22 (UP).—Three were injured to-day in another explosion at the Royal gunpowder factory at Waltham Abbey. The explosion shook doors and windows over a large area. It is reported to have been due to the detonation of waste explosives. Two previous explosions took place recently in the same plant, the most serious of which was on January 18. Officials have denied that the explosions were due to sabotage.

The Altmarek Affair

More Support For Britain

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The following comments have been made by American newspapers on the Altmarek affair: "Milwaukee Journal": "Norway let her territorial waters to be used by Germany as a protected waterway to avoid the British blockade. It is difficult to see how Norway has a leg to stand on in her protest to Britain." San Francisco "Chronicle": "The neutral world will grant no right to Germany in this affair." Cleveland "Plain Dealer": "The British are well aware that Germany has played fast and loose with the rights of her small neutral neighbours. The Germans are not likely to get far in legalistic disputes." Tampa "Times": "The Altmarek had no right to take advantage of Norwegian neutrality and should be interned with all her officers and crew until the end of the war, despite the Nazi bluff and bluster." **Attempt To Refloat Ship**
COPENHAGEN, Feb. 22 (UP).—A German plane, carrying 12 technicians to assist in refloating the Altmarek, passed over Copenhagen enroute to Stavanger to-day.

IRAQ CABINET RESHUFFLE

BAGHDAD, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Seyid Nouri Es-Said, the Prime Minister, has reformed the Iraq Government by reshuffling portfolios and the introduction of two new Ministers. The Prime Minister has temporarily taken the portfolio of Foreign Affairs.

"GHOST STORIES" BY JAPANESE

Report Deaths of Several Chinese Generals

"Ghost stories" issued by the Japanese, announcing the death of several Chinese generals were emphatically denied by a Chinese military spokesman at Chungking yesterday in an interview with the "Central News."

According to a Japanese broadcast from Tokyo on Wednesday, Lieut. General Liu Shang-chih, a divisional commander, committed suicide at Meping in Central Hubei on February 10; General Liu Chien-hsu was killed in a Japanese air raid; Lieut. General Yang Yu-ting was executed by a firing squad on February 18; and Lieut. General Li Tsu-pei is missing.

Describing these reports as fabrications, the Chinese military spokesman stated that the Japanese have only made a 'laughing stock of themselves by issuing such ghost stories.'

No Such Names

He declared that in the Chinese Army are no divisional commanders named Yang Yu-ting and Li Tsu-pei. Of the other names mentioned by the Japanese, Lieut. General Liu Shang-chih is very much alive. He visited Chungking recently.

General Liu Chien-hsu, who was alleged to have been killed in a Japanese air raid, is directing operations at the front and has just sent a telegram to Chungking reporting the success of his troops.

There has been severe fighting near the Chientang River in the last few days. The Japanese troops sallying forth from Shaoan opposite Hanchow have all been driven back, according to a Chinese report from Kihwa.

Chinese Retake Towns

Chientsingchen, Yachienchen, Kuailshih, Linpuichen and Yichienchen, points around Shaoan, have all been recovered by the Chinese. It is stated.

Some 2,500 Japanese are reported to have been killed as the result of Chinese counter-attacks in this sector, while booty captured included four rapid-firing guns, 12 heavy machine-guns, over 100 army horses and a quantity of rifles and other arms.

On the southern front, it is declared that about a division of Japanese troops, defeated recently in South Kwangsi, have boarded troopships in Yanchow Bay.

In the recent fighting in this province, heavy casualties were inflicted upon the retreating Japanese at Taitung, Taitung and Situng on the Nanning-Yunchow highway.

The Chinese also claim that remnant Japanese troops on the Nanning-Pingyang and Nanning-Wuning highways have been "mopped up" and that fighting is now in progress between Santung and Sintang, north-east of Nanning.

Colonial Aid Scheme

Palestinian Press Is Delighted

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—In Palestine the Arabic paper, "Addifa," in an editorial stresses that the importance of the Colonial development scheme lies in the fact that it is declared in war-time when the need of funds is urgent. The "Assir Al-Nusrah" says that the British Government has done well in declaring this policy.

Political Efficiency
The Hebrew paper, "Davar," says: "It is the best evidence of the economic force of the Empire and the financial power of Britain. It also shows political efficiency and psychological steadiness, enabling British statesmen to extend concern to matters not directly connected with the war."

"Extension of the mandated territories seems in consequence a decidedly pro-British stand taken by the population."

"British mandated countries regard the fight against Nazism as their own. They are ready to make every effort required."

The Caracans paper, "Ahles," says: "The statement on Colonial policy disproves completely the propaganda accusing Britain of oppression of the Empire. A perfect Union of the Empire is the key to victory. The British Empire form a granite-like block."

Turkey Gets Ready

Draws Up War Time Regulations

ISTANBUL, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The Government is drawing up regulations with a view to applying, without delay, the special powers conferred by the Emergency Law, according to a message from Ankara.

In view of the influence which the war has had on Turkey's economic structure, the first step will be classification of exporters and importers into easily controlled groups.

Cost prices will be drastically checked and fixed selling prices established. Measures are also to be taken to accumulate stocks and to ensure ample supplies for national defence requirements.

SWEDEN IS INDIGNANT

Sharp Reaction To Pajala Bombing

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Swedish newspapers are expressing great indignation at the bombing of Pajala and saying that Sweden has never been the object of such a serious violation of her neutrality, either in the last war or the present one.

Stockholm's "Tidningen" says that Sweden wants peace and so does the whole of Scandinavia. "It is certainly growing dark up here, however, and perhaps all neutrals will have to make serious decisions in the near future," comments the paper.

All Parties Agree

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—All parties in the Swedish Government have endorsed the Swedish Government's policy of withholding military aid to Finland.

Warning To Foreign Planes
STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—General Nygren, military commander of the province of Norrland, declared that his anti-aircraft batteries will fire at any foreign planes which cross the frontier.

He added that the military authorities sent experts to Pajala immediately after the Soviet bombing of the village.

London Will Cheer Exeter, Ajax Heroes

March Through Streets To Guildhall

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The march of officers and men of the cruisers, Ajax and Exeter, through the city to the Guildhall to-morrow will afford Londoners the first opportunity of greeting members of the fighting services whose gallantry has earned them universal glory.

Seven hundred and sixty members of the company of the two cruisers will reach Walsingham at 10 a.m. They will proceed to the Horse Guards parade for inspection and then go in a procession along Victoria Embankment to the Guildhall, where they will be entertained at luncheon by the Lord Mayor, Sir William Coxon, and the City Corporation.

Mr. Churchill To Speak
The Lord Mayor will propose the principal toast to which Captain Woodhouse, of the Ajax, and Captain Bell, of the Exeter, will respond.

—Mr. Winston Churchill, the First Lord of the Admiralty will also speak. The total companies of the two ships honoured total 1,100, so a draw was resorted to for the selection of the fortunate 760.

French Cabinet Holds Meeting

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The French Cabinet yesterday reviewed the diplomatic and economic situation. President Lebrun signed a decree authorising the C-in-C of the French Air Force to remain on the active list for one year. He reaches the retiring age limit this year.

TWO EXPLOSIONS IN HEART OF LONDON

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Feb. 22 (UP).—An explosion wrecked a comfort station near Hyde Park to-day and injured one man. While crowds were gathering a second bomb exploded on the pathway of the busy Oxford Street, shattering windows of shops and apartment houses. Eight persons were later treated for shock. Both outrages are attributed to I.R.A. activity.

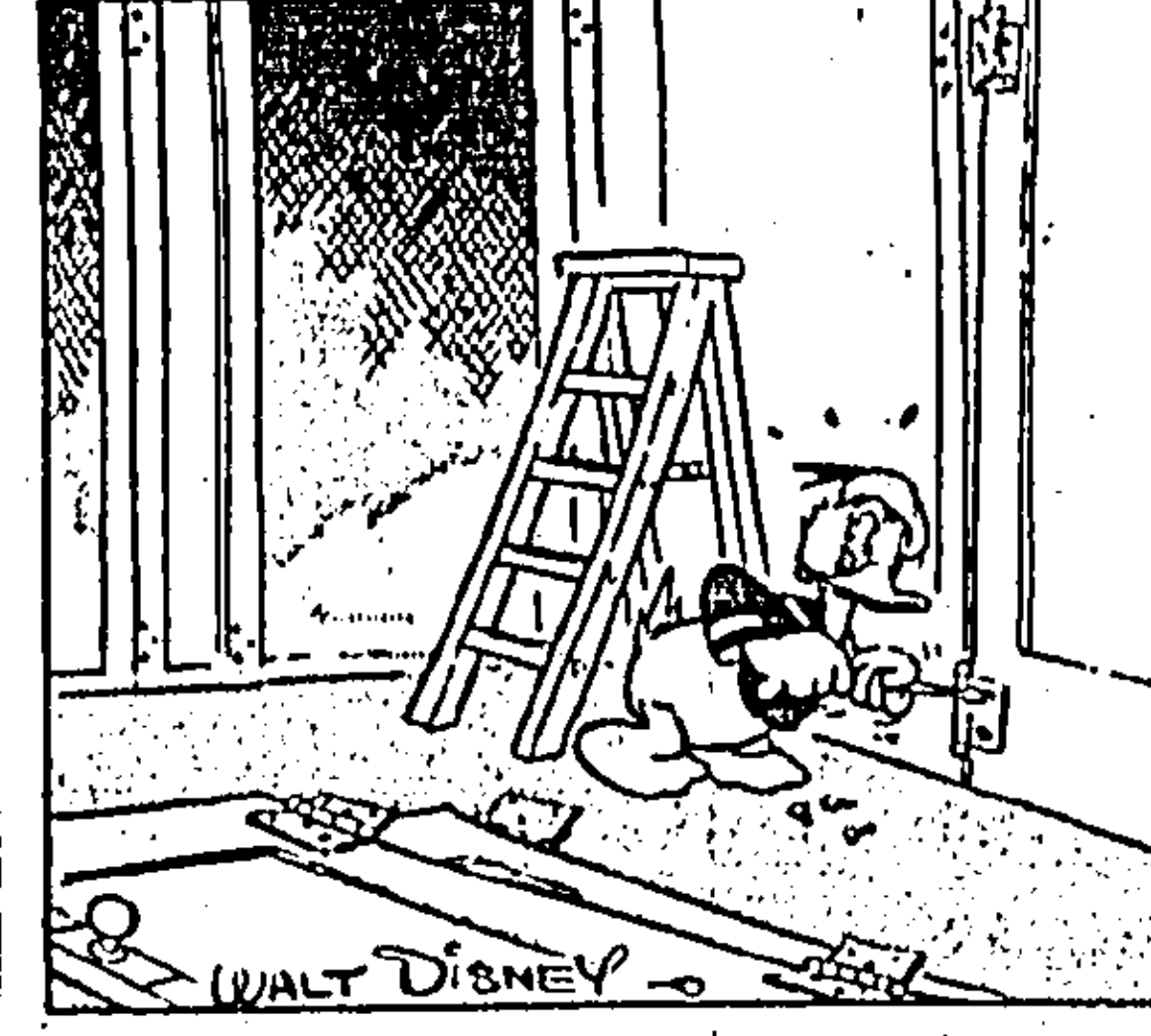
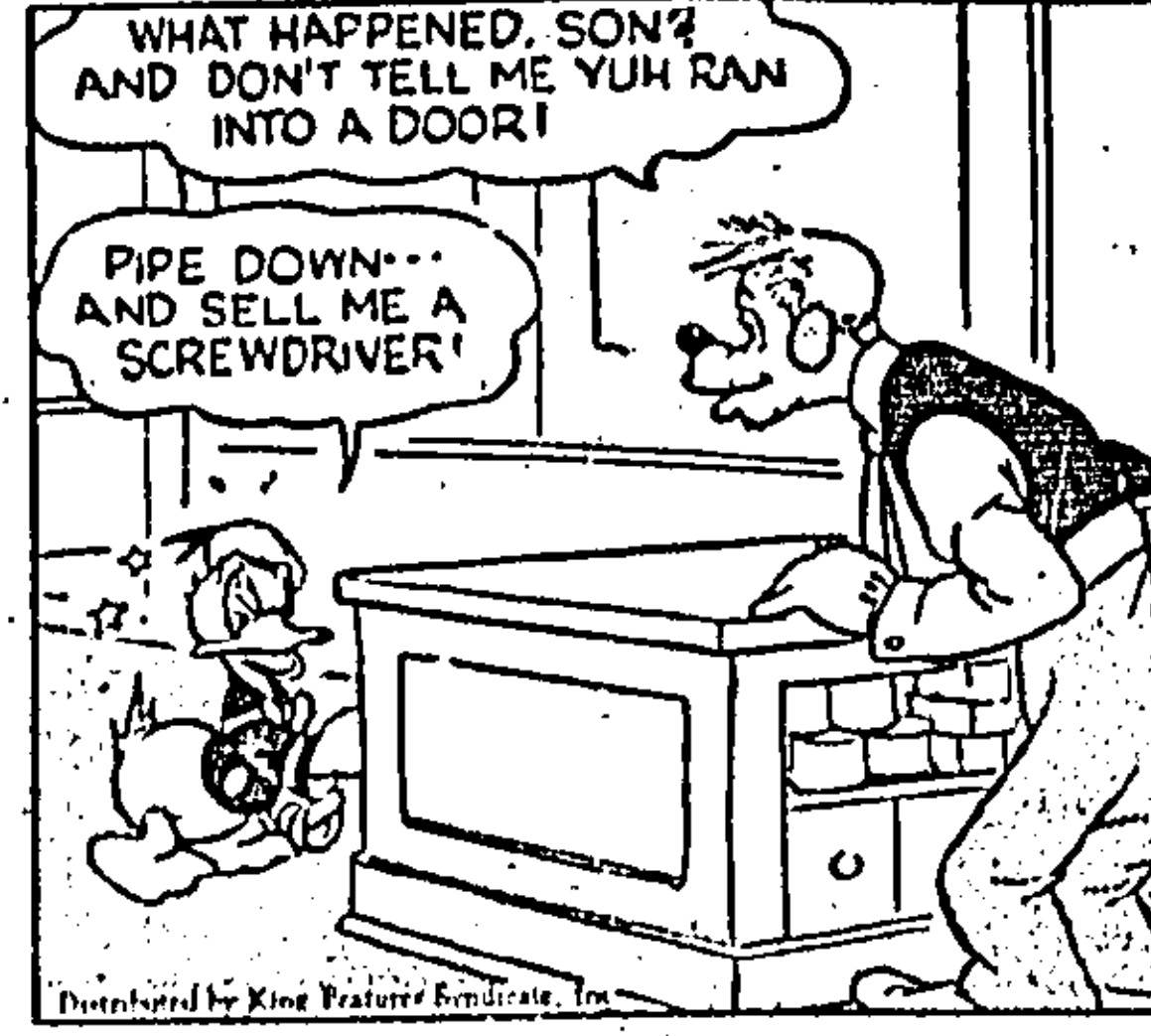
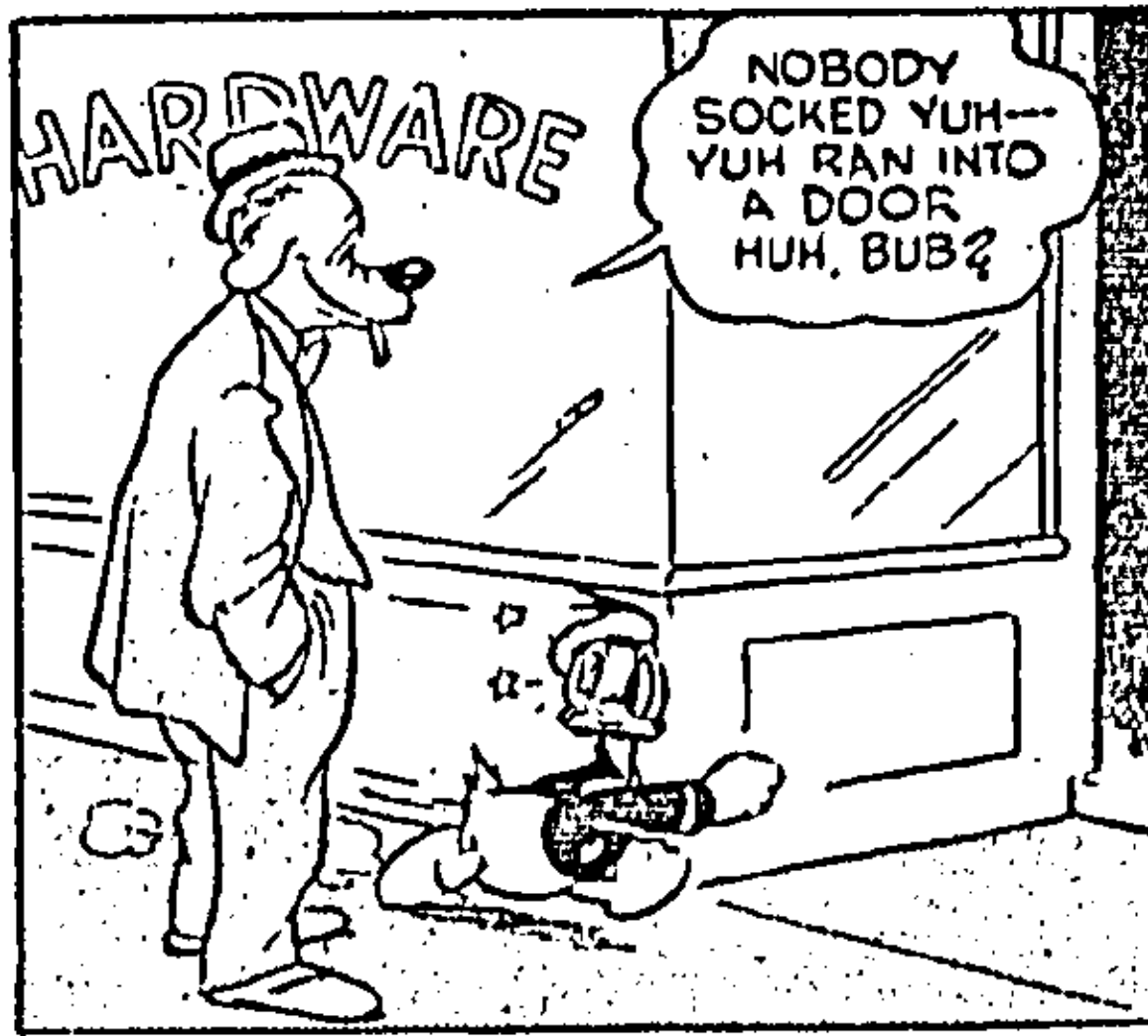
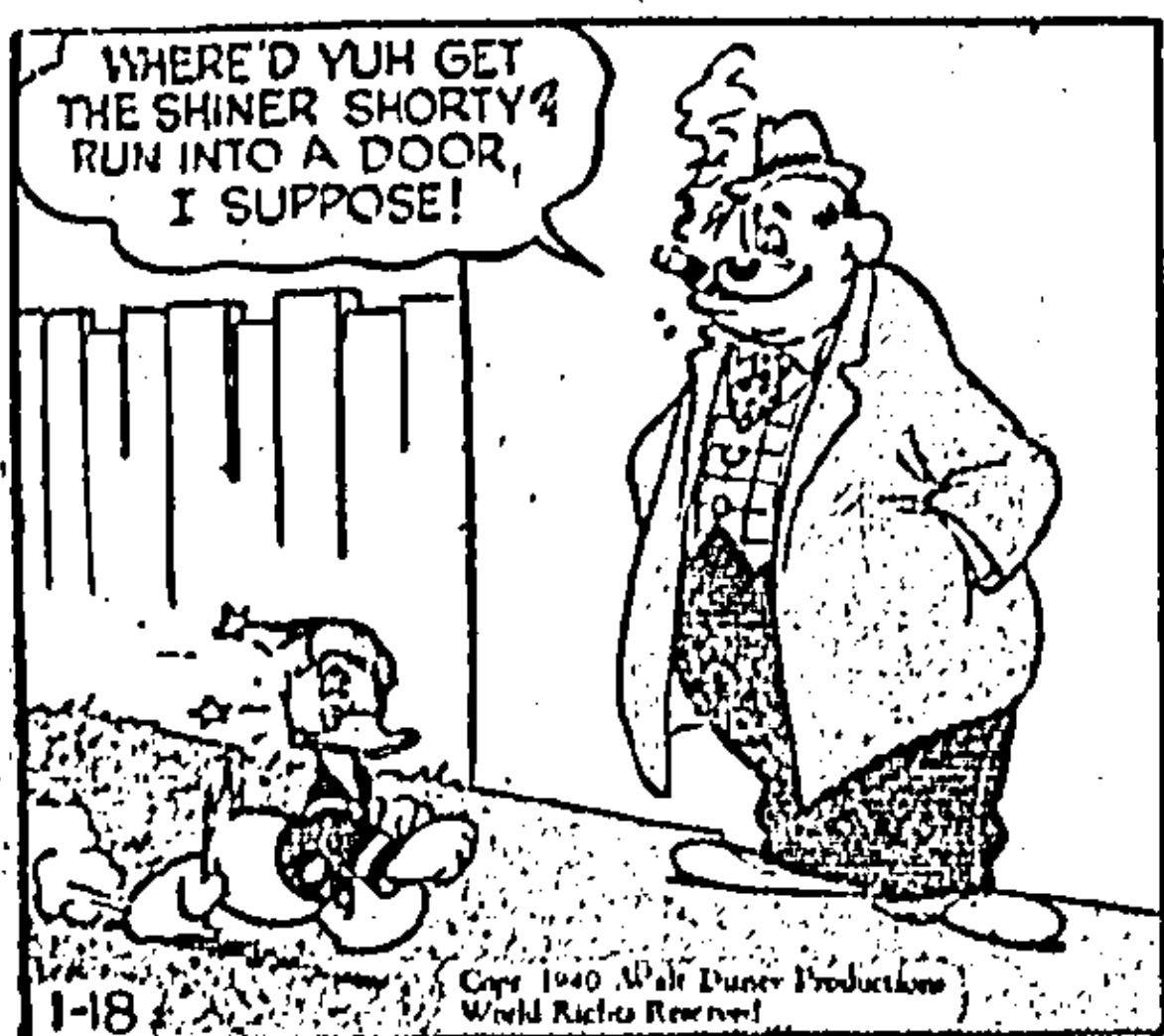
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WANG CHING-WEI'S BETRAYAL FULLY REVEALED IN AMAZING AGREEMENT

TOKYO, Feb. 23 (Reuter).—It is understood that the basic terms of the agreement reached between Wang Ching-wei and the Japanese authorities in China last December, and approved by the Abe Cabinet early this year, will be made public shortly after the new Central Political Council, nucleus of the new Central Government of China, has met.

These terms may be summarised as follows, says the "Japan Times":

1.—Japan's policy vis-a-vis the new Central Government is to support it fully, extending every possible aid and co-operation in the field of economy, military affairs and culture, and thus have it a complete unification of the Chinese State. The Japanese Government is convinced that the new Government will come to be qualified and powerful so that it can build up a new order in East Asia in co-operation with Japan.

2.—When the new Central Government reaches the stage at which it is regarded as qualified enough to accomplish the task of unification of the Chinese State, Japan, ahead of other countries, will formally recognize the Central Government, adjust Sino-Japanese relations and make efforts to induce other Powers to do the same.

3.—The Japanese Government thinks that the building up of a new order in East Asia will not be injured if the new Government succeeds in the administration of the old Kuomintang Party and has the pure "Three Peoples' Principles" as its guiding principle, provided the new Government does not assume anti-Japanese and pro-Communist policies in succeeding to the administration of the old Kuomintang Party. The Japanese Government is determined to take full care in guiding the new Central Government so that it will not commit the errors of the Chungking Government.

4.—Two national companies of Japan in China, the North China Development Company and the Central China Development Company, will not be subjected to any change in their legal status as subsidiaries of Japanese concerns even after the establishment of the new Central Government.

5.—The Central Government will seek to unify the Chinese currency system and establish a new Central Bank. The Japanese Government assumes that the projected Central Government will not absorb the Federal Reserve Bank in view of its special mission.

6.—The Japanese Government does not intend at present to change the relation of the Japanese yen note and the yuan of the Federal Reserve Bank at par.

7.—The Japanese Government will adopt a prudent attitude towards "fap," the legal currency of the Chungking Government, avoiding any radical change likely to affect the economic life of the Chinese.

8.—The Japanese Government is determined to make the "tolerant" terms on which Japan is to conclude peace with China. The terms are based on the December 1938 Statement issued in December 1938, calling for the so-called Three Principles, namely, joint opposition to anti-Communism, economic co-operation between China and Japan, and no territorial or indemnity demands by Japan.

9.—The Chungking Government is treating a path of decay owing to the raising of a strong party advocating peace, intensification of friction between the Chungking Government and Communists, uneasiness concerning the future of the legal currency or "fap," shortage of materials and decrease of its revenue from Customs duties. The military power of the Chinese forces has been so weakened that the "strength" of the Chinese division is equal to that of one battalion of Japanese troops.

10.—The Japanese Government believes that the Chungking Government will either decay as the result of the healthy development of the new Central Government and the pressure of military campaigns by

the Japanese forces in China, or will dissolve naturally and its organising elements will participate in the new Central Government under Wang Ching-wei.

Magistrate Trips Up Witness

How He Discovered Man Was Lying

By using a fictitious address to test the truthfulness of the witness before him, Mr. T. J. Houston discovered that the man was lying. This occurred in a heroin pill case in which Chan Sai, 24, Ho Sam-mui, 20, a widow, and Au King, 20, a spinster, were the defendants. They were arrested when Detective Sub-Inspector O'Donovan raided a house in First Street at 9.30 p.m. on February 22.

Au was the only one of the three to deny charges of keeping a heroin divan and possession of eight heroin pipes. When she gave evidence the other two defendants were escorted out of Court.

Au said she had gone to the divan to look for a friend, whom, however, she did not find. She waited for him there. Where the friend lived she did not know.

Fictitious Address

Chan then testified and said that Au had met her friend at the divan before the Police arrived.

Referring to Au's friend, Mr. Houston asked Chan: He lives at 122 Queen's Road West, does he?—Yes.

Mr. Houston to Chan: You may be interested to know that I made up that address. I didn't know where the first address that came to my head.

Although he was told by Mr. Houston that if he disclosed the identity of the master of the divan his sentence would be much lighter, Chan maintained that he was the principal owner of the divan.

Chan was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour and further fined \$325 or another six months' hard labour. He was also recommended for banishment.

He was sentenced to six months' hard labour and recommended for banishment, and Au was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

Told To Think It Over

In another heroin case, Mr. Houston gave the defendant a week's time to consider whether he or someone else was the master of the divan concerned.

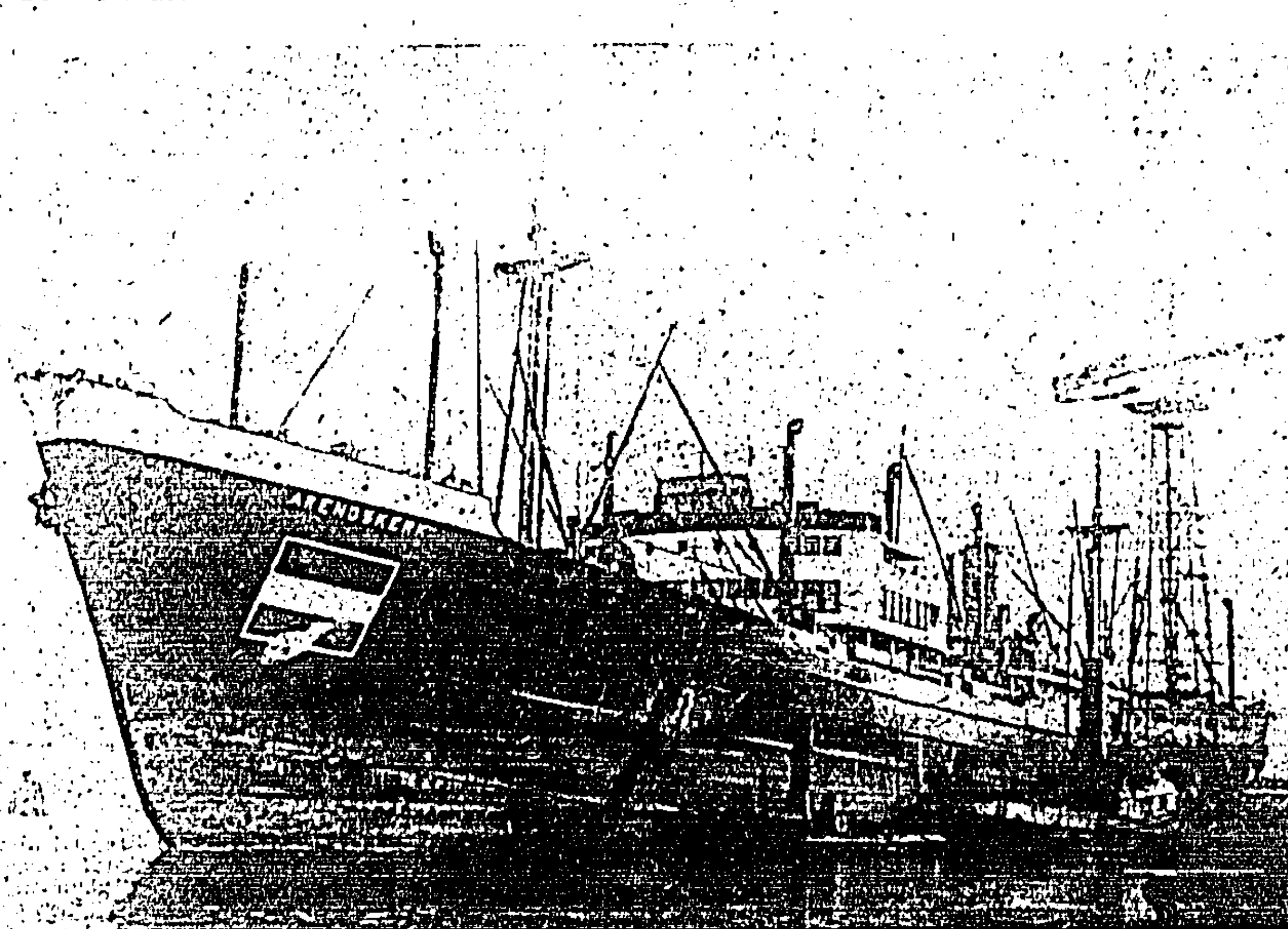
Accused was Wong Shing, 31, unemployed, and he was charged with keeping a heroin divan at Third Street, possession of three heroin pipes and 111 heroin pills.

Detective Sub-Inspector O'Donovan said Wong would not give the name of the master of the divan. He told the police that the heroin pills were brought to the house by a small boy. Questioned by Mr. Houston, Wong said he was the master.

Famous Playwright To Marry Actress

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, Feb. 22 (UP).—It is announced that Mr. Robert Morley, actor and playwright, will shortly marry Miss Joan Buckmaster, daughter of Gladys Cooper.

NEUTRAL FLAGS MEAN NOTHING TO THE NAZIS



THE DUTCH motorship Aren d'ekerk, showing the bow clearly painted with the Dutch colours. The picture was taken just before she left a Dutch port on the fatal trip, in which she was sunk: Germany's contempt for the neutrals is exemplified in the torpedoing of this ship.—Domel.

TRA WLER HISTORY REPEATED 25 YEARS LATER

2 Officers, 15 Ratings Reported Missing

Interesting U.S. Documents Made Public for First Time

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 (UP).—The State Department to-day made public previously confidential papers covering the United States foreign relations for the period 1914 to 1920.

They revealed that the State Department's Counsellor, Mr. Robert Lansing, at the outbreak of the neutralisation of China in a memorandum to Secretary of State Williams Jennings Bryan.

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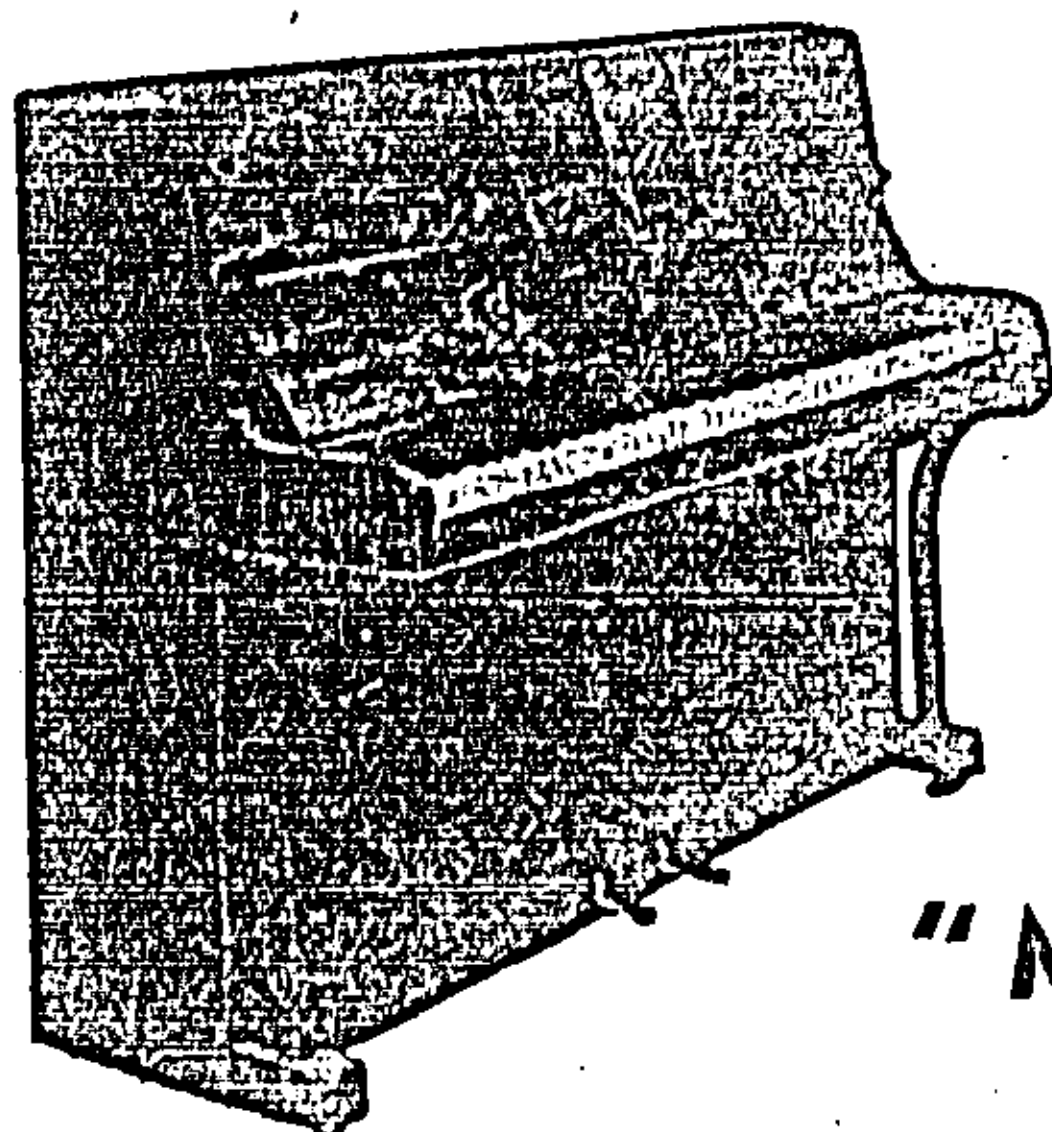
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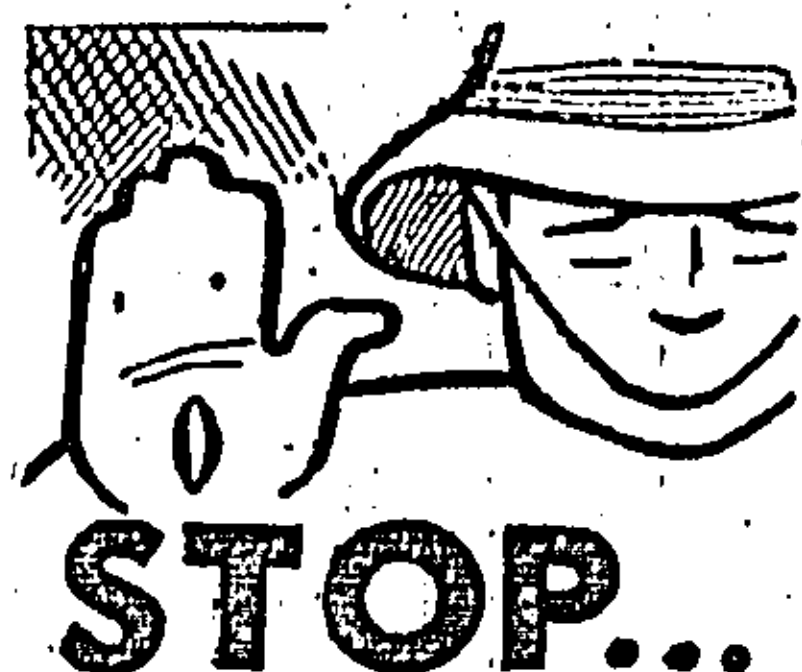
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Aid To Finland

John Bull is not beating his breast and shouting challenges at Joseph Stalin, but in giving vital aid to the Finns he is risking real trouble with the Soviet.

So too are the French and the Swedes, but in both Moscow and Berlin it is Britain which is especially singled out for threats. This aid is going to Finland as part of the League of Nations movement to help her resist aggression, but Russia knows the arms and planes come from London and Paris, not Geneva.

Reports the last few days have shown a considerable amount of help going to Finland from Britain and France.

Right at the start Britain sent between twenty and thirty fighting planes. France has shipped thirty of her newest planes and in addition, anti-tank guns and ammunition.

Britain is sending a second and much larger shipment of planes and dipping into much-needed stores of anti-aircraft equipment and gasoline to help the Finns. Sweden is sending volunteers and arms and affording transit for the Allied supplies.

Those who have convinced themselves that nation are wholly selfish in anything they do may try to say that helping the Finns is only self-protection.

Undoubtedly for all the nations which cherish freedom and order interests as well as ideals are involved in Finland's gallant stand. That is true even for America. But let us acknowledge that much of the effort in every country to help the Finns springs from unselfish admiration for courage and decency.

Surely in the generosity which is providing aid there should be room for the appreciation of good motives. Certainly Americans can see that they risk little compared with the Allies.

Britain and France might easily say, "Sorry; but one war at a time is enough." Not only are they facing the possibility of drawing Russia's attack; they can ill afford to give up any war supplies.

They are straining to get planes for their own defence. They do not know what they may need should Germany open up full force in the Spring. Every bit of assistance they give the Finns is a real sacrifice. Let us pay tribute to it as to the widow's mite—though it is no mite in Finnish eyes, or Russian.



BOTH: "Caught you redhanded, you old rascal!"

The sailor's war is developing

GET READY for your OLD PALS

BY COMMANDER H. PURSEY, R.N.

BOTH Germany's imports and her exports are now liable to seizure by the French and British navies. The Allies' two-way blockade of Germany is well under way.

How is this new stranghold on German trade being operated?

It will add to the already heavy task of those responsible for the Allies' close watch on all European overseas trade.

These sentinels are now more watchful than ever at the gateways of the sea routes—the British at the Orkney Islands, Dover Straits, Gibraltar, Malta and Port Said, and the French at Dunkirk, Le Havre, Marseilles and Oran.

Neutrals engaged in bona-fide non-enemy trade can reduce to a minimum the inconvenience to their ships by two methods:—

- (1) by sending on copies of the manifest of the cargo to the Ministry of Economic Warfare in advance of the ship, or
- (2) by declaring the cargo to a British consular authority in the neutral country and obtaining a navicert.

This is equivalent to a commercial passport which carries genuine neutral goods through the control stations with the minimum formalities.

★ ★
Though certain neutrals may complain about what they consider interference with their legitimate trade, the method of examination and Prize Court, which has caused no damage to a single ship or person, to the German "sink at sight" policy and its loss of innocent women and children.

Under this policy, Germany in the Great War destroyed 1,700 neutral ships, often with no warning, and over 2,000 lives.

The most important part of the blockade is the interception of ships at sea, and the most hazardous task is that carried out by our Northern Patrol in that large, tempestuous area of some 200,000 square miles, bounded by the 270 miles from Scotland to Norway and the 400 miles between Scotland and Iceland.

Pursuing zigzag courses to reduce the chances of being torpedoed by submarines, the patrol of cruisers and armed merchant cruisers steam in a line some 30 miles apart—the visible distance from the crow's nest of each ship being about 15 miles in fine weather.

★ ★
It was a unit of the Northern Patrol which in the Great War fought a classic duel with the first raider to be discovered attempting to run the gauntlet of the blockade.

The R.M.S. Alcantara, on February 23, 1916, sighted a strange ship and pursued her, the crew being ordered to "action stations" as a precaution. Flying Norwegian colours, the stranger claimed to be the s.s. Rona from South America with a cargo of coffee.

Suddenly the Rona's ensign staff dropped, her steering box opened to reveal a gun, flaps on her sides fell to unmask other guns, and she opened fire. Realising she was a disguised German raider the Alcantara immediately retaliated, and, though her steering gear was disabled, held off the Rona in a duel that lasted for a quarter of an hour.

By this time the Rona, repeatedly

hit, was badly on fire and almost invisible in the clouds of smoke. She ceased fire and, "abandon ship" having been ordered, the survivors took to the boats.

By now, the Alcantara had a heavy list, and had to cease fire. As she was obviously sinking, her captain also gave the order, "abandon ship," and in a short while she turned over on her beam ends and sank.

Thus, two peaceful liners fitted out as naval auxiliary vessels literally fought themselves to a finish. Other British ships came on the scene and rescued the survivors.

★ ★
The courage and devotion to duty of the crews of the Alcantara and Rawalpindi are typical of those who man the Northern Patrol. Their work, as the late Lord Balfour, a First Lord of the Admiralty, said, was "more continuous, more important and more successful than that of any other branch of His Majesty's naval forces."

The new measures against Germany's exports—top of three months' intensive blockade of her imports—are bound to have a tremendous influence on the Nazis' power to carry on the war. German overseas export trade should now be almost entirely cut off.

In the Great War the blockade reduced Germany's foreign trade from £1,100,000,000 in 1913 to £160,000,000 in 1918—a mere one-seventh of its original volume.

Last year the total value of Germany's overseas exports was about £100,000,000. During war she will naturally divert as much of those exports as possible to neighbouring countries, and this will reduce her normal seaborne exports.

Nevertheless, it is estimated that she will lose £45,000,000 as the result of the Allied blockade.

YAMPOLSKY, Quovadis, Costello and Zorn— they'll be swinging a kilt down Piccadilly soon. For

in spite of their names, they will be among the Seaforth Highlanders of Canada who will shortly be leaving for England with the first overseas division from the Dominion.

Of course, there are all kinds of Macs, from MacAdam to McVeigh, in this regiment. But then you would expect Macs—particularly exiled Macs—to join a Highland unit. And you might expect them to want to fight for the "Old Country."

★ ★
But it's Yampolsky, Quovadis, Costello and Zorn who represent the spirit of that great part of Canada which is made up of so many different European peoples.

Besides Yampolsky, Quovadis, Costello and Zorn, there are Smith, Archambeault, Brown and Legault. For the first overseas division is entirely representative of all the Canadas, upper and lower, English and French.

It includes smart lads from Vancouver Island, where the Pacific lads, gunners from Moose Jaw on the rolling prairies, riflemen from St. Jean in old French Quebec, and engineers from Halifax on the Atlantic seaboard.

But they will have some tough nursemaids to watch over them, for in their Arctic outposts, the

famous Royal Canadian Mounted Police are packing their scarlet coats in moth balls to join the first division.

For every Canadian soldier receives six shillings a day, besides £8 a month separation allowance for his wife, and £3 a month for each child.

★ ★
Out of the backwoods the frontiersmen are coming down to the big cities. Harry Hooper, just from the wilds of the Cariboo, looked as big as a bear in his hand-sewn moose-skin suit with its beaver tail trimmings, and moved as silently as any in his moccasins shoes.

"Let me at 'em," he roared at me in a voice that would have shaken the Rockies. "I'm so tough they'd have to muzzle me to give a grizzly a chance."

(But Harry Hooper wasn't so tough when he talked about his friends—his horses and his dogs—which he had to shoot before leaving to enlist.)

They hadn't fitted "Tex" Lebere with a uniform, and he still wore his ten-gallon hat as he lounged on the rifle range. When it came to his turn to shoot, he missed the target completely at 100 and 200 yards, but clipped the bull at 500 yards. His fellow soldiers couldn't understand it.

"Wal, it's this a-ways, fellahs," said "Tex," giving his trousers a hitch. "Back in Texas we jest throw stones at anything 100 or 200 yards away."

★ ★
Like Highlanders Yampolsky, Quovadis, Costello and Zorn, most Canadians join Scottish regiments from choice rather than ancestry. It's the uniform that gets them.

So when the Canadian Army adopted the new British over-all battle-dress I went down to the Seaforth Armouries at Vancouver. In the great hall I bumped into a tall Highlander. His kilts hung in smart pleats, his knees were not too bony, and his calves under the check stockings were shapely.

"What do you think of this new uniform?" I asked him.

From a haughty, far-away look of a warrior thinking of battle-fields overseas his expression changed to one of worried bewilderment.

"Listen, bud," the Highlander said, speaking in broad Gaelic accent. "We don't have to go traipsing around in dem garra-men's suits, do we?"

"Say, bud," he went on, "a Highland regiment can't parade in these monkey-dicks. Why, we'd look like the bollomen's union on a picnic."

As I left, he followed me with bleeding eyes.

Peter Stursberg

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"If you had manners, Selma, you'd stop interrupting me with your troubles while I'm telling you mine!"

COURT ACTION OVER H. P. AGREEMENT Judgment For Defendant

Judgment for the defendant with costs was given in the Summary Court this morning by Mr. Justice Lindsell in the action brought by the Southern Trust and Finance Company, Limited, against Chiu Sze-ming, alias Chiu Chak-yuen, in connection with instalments under a motor car hire purchase agreement.

Mr. M. A. Da Silva was for the plaintiff and Mr. J. M. D'Almada Remedios for the defendant. His Lordship said:

I am satisfied that this claim cannot succeed.

In S. J. Action No. 482 of 1939 in which the parties were the same, the defendant was sued (1) for eleven instalments each of \$100 due under the hire-purchase agreement; (2) in the alternative—for \$1,300 (representing the full value of the car less the amount of one instalment paid) as damages for breach of the agreement by the defendant in giving a bill of sale on the car under which the grantee had seized and sold it.

In respect of each item of claim the surplus over \$1,000 was waived in order to give this Court jurisdiction.

In settlement of the action, before it came on for trial, the defendant paid \$1,000 and an agreed sum for costs, and obtained a receipt worded as follows—

"Re S. J. Action No. 482 of 1939 received... the sum of Dollars One thousand and seventy only being in full settlement of claim and costs herein."

In the present action the plaintiff claims \$200 being the amount of the two remaining instalments due under the hire-purchase agreement, and the sole point I have to decide is whether the claim is maintainable.

Defence's Submissions

Mr. Remedios submits that the present claim is for nothing else than part of the amount sued for in the alternative claim in the first action, that everything claimed in that action was met by the payment of \$1,070 which the plaintiff accepted in full settlement, and that there has therefore been accord and satisfaction such as to bar the plaintiff from making any other claim in respect of the same cause or cause of action.

In support of this view he has cited Williams v. The London Commercial Exchange Company (10 Exchequer Reports, 509) in which, there having been a number of matters in dispute between the parties some of which were the subject of an action and some were not, and the plaintiff having agreed, in consideration of the defendants' consenting to go to arbitration in the matters of the action, that he would accept the arbitration award as full satisfaction in all the matters in dispute, it was held that payment by the defendants to the plaintiff of the amount awarded by the arbitrator was a complete bar to a subsequent action by the plaintiff in respect of the matters which were not the subject of the first action.

Plaintiff's Case

For the plaintiff Mr. Silva contends that Williams' case (supra) is not in point since there it was the agreement to refer all the matters in dispute to arbitration and to abide by the arbitrator's award, an agreement of which the defendant had duly performed his part, that barred the subsequent claim, whereas here there was no such agreement. In the present case the principles to be applied should be those of "res judicata" rather than those of "accord and satisfaction."

The primary claim was one for arrears of instalments, and the payment made by the defendant should be allocated to that claim to which there could have been no defence. The law regards estoppel with disfavour.

In Holland v. Clark (1 Y. & C. Chancery Cases, 1842, p. 151) it was held that "where a sum is paid into Court generally in satisfaction of several causes of action and the plaintiff takes out the money and abandons the action he is not allowed from proceeding for a particular item unless it appears on enquiry that the sum paid includes that item." See 13 Halsbury's Laws of England, p. 440. The essential element of finality is here lacking from the settlement.

Not In Agreement

With these contentions I am not in agreement.

The case of Holland v. Clark (supra) which at first sight is in Mr. Silva's favour, is I find clearly distinguishable from the present case. There John Clark and his brother

James were the executors of the will of a deceased under which a legacy of £150 had been left to Holland's wife but had long remained unpaid. Holland then sued the Clarks for the amount of the legacy and for certain other sums. James paid £40 into Court with an admission of liability pro tanto. Holland took the £40 out of Court, and discontinued his action against James, and later filed his bill in equity against the brothers claiming payment of the legacy only.

For the defence the objection was taken that the action and the acceptance of the money paid into Court therein were a bar to the demand in equity, but the Court held that the proceeding in the action did not necessarily create an estoppel of the suit in equity, but that, in order to determine the efficacy of the suit, it was competent to the Court to enquire on what account the money had been paid in in the action. In other words the Court held that acceptance of the £40 in settlement of the action would be a bar to the suit only if it appeared that the sum had been paid in respect of the whole of the plaintiff's claim and had so been accepted by him.

Satisfies Whole Claim

Here the payment of \$1,000 made by the defendant was clearly intended to satisfy the whole of the plaintiff's claim in S. J. Action No. 482 of 1939 and in face of the nature of the receipt given I hold it is not now open to the plaintiff to say that he did not accept that sum in full settlement of all his claims or that he allocated it to the item of instalments. And he desired to do so he could have made it clear to the defendant at the time that he accepted the \$1,000 without prejudice to his right of action for the two outstanding instalments when they fell due.

On the other side of the picture it is an obvious inference that knowing he was liable for the full \$1,300 the defendant was only too glad to get rid of that liability by payment of \$1,000 only which he understood the plaintiff to be willing to accept in full settlement.

For these reasons I hold that the present action is unmaintainable and give judgment for the defendant with costs.

France Curbs Rising Costs

Shanghai Concession Prices Rocket

SHANGHAI, Feb. 23, (Reuters).—The French Concession authorities have issued regulations to curb the sky-rocketing costs of living.

The French Concession will fix maximum prices for daily necessities while taxes will not be increased in order not to give impetus to any price rises.

The stocks of merchants will be checked and any contravention will lead to confiscation of goods which will be distributed to the indigent or sold for their benefit.

A Committee will be formed, entitled to go into all details of business transactions.

Merchants will be required to allow free access to books of members of the Committee and examination of stocks by this Committee.

Fines from \$1 to \$1,000 will be imposed for infraction of the regulations.

Big Spy Plot Unearthed

Dutch Police Arrest Six People

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 22 (Reuters).—With the arrest of six persons, including one German, at Groningen, North Holland, the Dutch Police announced today that they had unearthed an extensive espionage plot having branches in several parts of Holland.

Police investigations followed the attempted escape of two foreign soldiers from internment.

RUBBER BARTER AGREEMENT

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuters).—The Ministry of Supply has notified the rubber market that the United States Government has agreed to extend until the end of September, the period in which rubber furnished by the British Government under the rubber control barter agreement may be shipped, thus extending the existing date by three months.

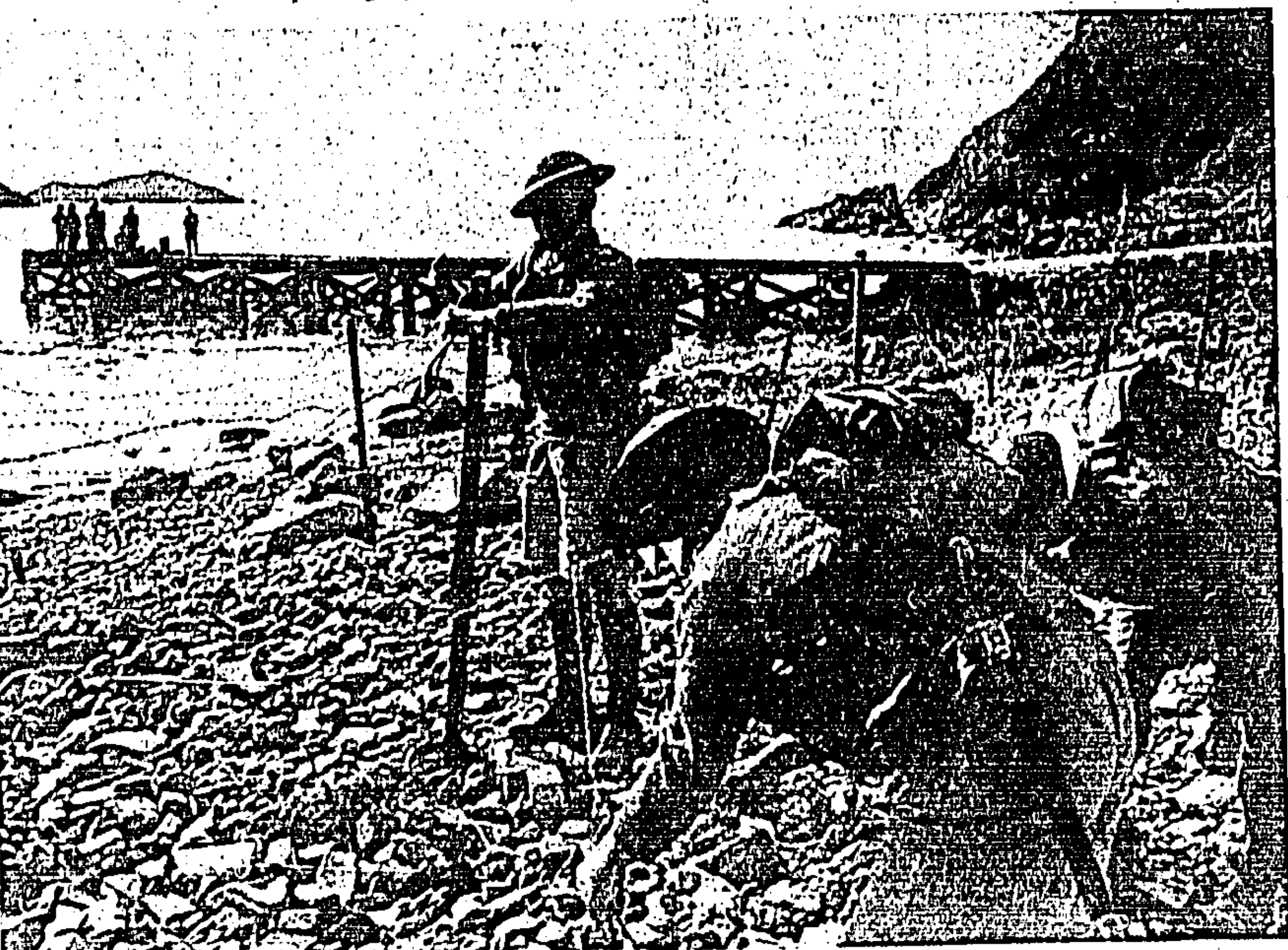
Franco Releases Americans

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
MADRID, Feb. 22 (UP).—The Franco government has released the last eight Americans held as prisoners of war.

They include the well-known flier, Harold Dahl, who was once condemned to death.

HONGKONG PREPARES:

Below we publish further photographs of a new series, specially taken by Norman Soong, of Hongkong's defence preparations. These photographs will appear daily in the "Telegraph".



A WIRING PARTY of Tommies erecting a barbed-wire barricade on one of Hongkong's benches. Possible vulnerable shore areas are being thus protected.



PROBLEMS OF DEFENCE against shore landing attacks are worked out during manoeuvres. A unit of Indian artillery lands with the aid of Navy units.

Million Russians Ready for Drive

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 22 (UP).—Stalin is reported to have ordered the massing of one million men on the entire Finnish frontier in preparation for a great "steam roller" invasion which will, once and for all, crush Finnish resistance.

Reports from Aabo (Turku) state that Russian officers who have been captured by the Finns confirm heavy concentrations of Russian troops whom, they say, are preparing to start a great offensive along the entire frontier.

Meanwhile, poor flying conditions have reduced the mass air raids that have been carried out over Finland during the past seven days.

However, the Russians did not completely let up their aerial operations, and several towns were bombed.

Bombs fell close to Helsinki during the forenoon.

Reds Six Miles From Viborg

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 22 (UP).—The Russians are now bombarding Viborg, Finland's second largest city, from an almost point-blank range of six miles.

They have moved up their lines and are now at just outside the eastern suburbs of the city.

Fighting continues despite a great blizzard, which has screamed through the narrow isthmus for the past twenty-four hours and has completely enveloped the front lines.

Further north, the Red Army is exerting increasing pressure on Tampere, where two divisions are engaged on a 4½-mile front with heavy artillery concentrations.

Bjorkoe Captured?

It is feared that the latest offensive against Tampere may be a diversion preparatory to a new assault on Bjorkoe, the anchor fortress of the Mannerheim Line on the northern side of the isthmus.

The Russians claim to have captured the town of Bjorkoe, but admit that the fortress is still in Finnish hands.

It is reported that the Battle of Taipale will have a decisive outcome to-day.

The official Finnish communiqué states that the Russians vigorously attacked Moulanjaervi, Vuoksa and Taipale, the battle extending into the night. Red losses at Taipale alone were 2,000 men.

"Russian attacks on the Isthmus have been repulsed, but fighting is still raging fiercely throughout the night," the communiqué adds.

"The enemy lost over 200 vehicles and 13 planes at Pikkari Islands.

The enemy have launched an attack on the railway at Kaemari."

18 Miles Off, Say Finns

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuters).—Soviet troops pushing along the main railway in the Karelian Isthmus reached a point within 18 miles of Viborg, according to a Finnish communiqué issued to-night.

This is the first indication of the extent of the recent Finnish withdrawal to their new positions in the Mannerheim Line.

The deepest point of the Soviet advance is some distance west of the village of Summa.

Since the start of their offensive in this sector the Soviets appear to have gained between five and ten miles at a cost of great losses in men and material.

While the Finns claim to be firmly entrenched in their new positions they are evidently being hard pressed.

The Russian drive has now widened across the whole of the Karelian Isthmus but at the eastern side near Toivola, where its main force is being extended, the Red Army seems to be meeting with little success.

The Finns claim that the Russian losses in this sector included 4,500 killed during the past week.

Voroshilov In Charge

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 23 (Reuters).—Marshal "Klim" Voroshilov, the Soviet Defence Commissar, is reported to be on the Isthmus front, personally directing the new offensive with the capture of Viborg as the immediate objective.

The new battle, which is being fought in a steady, unrelenting blizzard, began yesterday morning and is still in progress with the Finns claiming to have repulsed all attacks.

Soviet forces are experiencing terrible difficulties in the attack under the present weather conditions, but the High Command is apparently declining to give the least opportunity for a respite in the hope of taking Viborg to-day (Friday), the Army anniversary.

Over 2,000 are reported to have been killed in action during yesterday's engagements.

Thirteen Soviet planes were shot down.

North-east of Lake Ladoga, where the Soviet 8th Division was annihilated last week, the Finns are counter-attacking and claim the cap-

WHAT REDS DEMANDED

Destruction Of The Mannerheim Line

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuters).—Soviet demands on Finland before the Red Army invaded the country included a demand for the destruction of the Mannerheim Line, according to the Finnish Minister in London, speaking at a luncheon of the English-Speaking Union.

The Minister said that Finland had agreed to far-reaching demands, but it was not enough because the Soviet Government insisted on Finland destroying its main line of defence, the Mannerheim Line; on getting possession of Finland's principal port; on dominating Finland's only ice-free port thousands of miles from Leningrad, and on the right to contain two naval bases and to keep troops in Finland.

Finland could not accept that, for it would have meant surrendering their freedom, the Minister declared.

BRITISH, FRENCH LABOUR GET TOGETHER

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuters).—A delegation of members of British Trade Unions, headed by Sir Walter Citrine, of the Trade Union Congress, have arrived here for one of the series of monthly conferences with French Trade Union leaders.

A meeting was held this afternoon and talks will be continued to-morrow.

A delegation of the British Labour Party, headed by the Rt. Hon. Mr. C. R. Attlee, has also arrived in Paris. They conferred with French socialist leaders to-day and have decided to hold regular meetings like those held by the French and British Trade Union representatives.

STOCK EXCHANGE ACTIVITY

Fresh Buying Features Industrials

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuters).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, industrials continued to be the main source of to-day's activity, and prices in all sections reflected the presence of fresh buying.

The removal of the minimum price of the London Passenger Transport Co. stock was responsible for an increased interest in home rails. Initial dealings in this stock were on the basis of 48 to 52, and closed around 52½.

Shipping shares attracted attention.

After hours, a dividend on the year of 1½ per cent, was announced on the London-Midland Scottish ordinary shares.

Courtaulds' dividend for the year totalled 7 per cent, as compared with 4 per cent, last year.

Wall Street had a holiday.

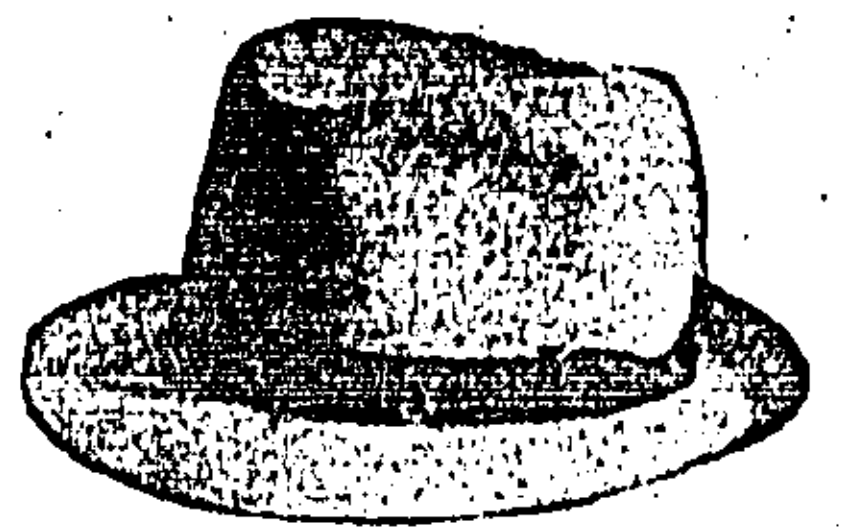
17 Soviet positions and 200 prisoners.

Soviet Communiqué

MOSCOW, Feb. 23 (Reuters).—A Soviet war communiqué states that there was nothing of importance to report at the front on February 22.

On the Karelian Isthmus Soviet troops repulsed the enemy and occupied 24 defensive positions, including 19 iron and concrete artillery forts.

In view of a snowstorm aviation activity was restricted to reconnaissance flights.



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In 1940 to meet the increasing needs of sick and destitute children in Hong Kong, against which the income to date is \$12,000 only. In order to continue its work, the Society appeals for the balance of \$23,000 before the close of the financial year on 31st October. A copy of the Annual Report for 1939 may be obtained from:

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"Captain Foster's" Racing Review

ANNUAL RACE CARNIVAL TERMINATES TO-MORROW NINE EVENTS ON PROGRAMME: AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONS

The Annual Race Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club will terminate to-morrow at Happy Valley. Punters are reminded that the first saddling bell will be chimed at 1.30 p.m., instead of the usual 11.30 a.m.

An attractive programme of nine races, with the inclusion of seven handicap events, will be presented, and chief interest will undoubtedly be centred in the Australian Ponies Champions over a distance of one and a quarter miles. The classic event will surely bring out a few smart youngsters of this season's subscription griffins and it looks to me that we are going to have a nice champion tussle.

As I write, the allotment of handicap weights for the seven events has not yet been announced and in the circumstance the prospects of all the races will be briefly discussed in to-morrow's issue.

Badminton

Draw For 1939-40 Tournament

The draw for the 1939-40 Hongkong badminton championships was made last evening by the specially appointed sub-committee of the Badminton Association.

It was found that entries were excellent, being 45 as compared with 42 last year. Twelve are taking part in the men's senior singles as against ten last season; 11 in the junior singles as compared with 13; 12 in the men's doubles as compared with 11, and nine in the mixed doubles, as compared with eight.

Only one entry was received for the ladies doubles, but it has been decided to keep the entries for this event open for another week, until Friday, March 1. It is provided that entries must total ten in order for a championship event to be arranged.

Prominent absentees from this year's championships is P. K. Hui, who last year won three events. However, the presence of Henry Eardley, former Shanghai champion, and the return of P. H. Wong, former Colony champion, make the competition one of the most interesting since its inception.

In three events players have been seeded. In the senior singles, C. A. Wong, last year's runner-up, H. Eardley, P. H. Wong, and K. L. Yung have been "seeded." In the men's doubles, the favoured pairs are M. S. Lim and P. S. Bun, last year's runners-up, C. Au and F. H. Wong, M. A. Silva and M. A. Oliveira, and K. L. Yung and H. F. Chew. In the mixed, the seeded couples are: M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva, three times runners-up; H. Eardley and Miss Cecilia; Eardley, K. L. Yung and Miss H. Khoo; J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro.

The championships will start on Thursday next, February 29, the first programme of matches to be announced to-morrow in the local press. Neutral courts will be used for all games, which will be arranged by the sub-committee, and no postponements will be permitted without the special consent of the sub-committee.

Matches will be held at three PLEASANT Turn To Page 9.

Amazing Performances By China Ponies

However, I am glad to be able to write the last chapter of the amazing performances put up by the China ponies, bona fide griffins of the meeting, and the three best steeds selected by the writer, namely, Burford, Mount Hope Bay and Satinlight are now the holders of fastest times over various distances.

The most exclusive event, the Hongkong Derby, has come and gone. Mr. Eric Moller is to be congratulated in capturing the Blue Riband with his Satinlight, ably ridden by his son, Mr. "Boogie" Moller and it was the Shanghai grand "old man's" second success, his first being in 1938 with Silkylight. Of course, the verdict of the victory was not by the length of Wong-Nai-Chong Road, but it must have thrilled every regular follower of the turf, for the grim battle for the highest honours of the season started at the football stand or thereabouts. It was a "neck to neck" fight with Burford, piloted by Mr. Raymond Pih, over the last five furlongs of the long distance outing and when the end came after a most exciting Derby witnessed at the Valley, the decision was only half a length.

THE classic endurance contest was run in a record time of 2.50.4/5 for one and a half miles, lowering Rose Elect's figure by four three-fifths seconds. It was certainly a grand performance. Although I was not sweet on Satinlight for the Blue Riband, I was glad in my assertion that Spiclight was not the cream of Mr. Moller's string of animals.

BURFORD'S PERFORMANCES
BURFORD, owned by the Quarter-master's stable, gave a gallant display of his propelling powers, losing to Satinlight by only half a length, but the bay stallion, ably assisted by Mr. Pih in the saddle, made amends in the Champion Stakes, beating the Derby winner by two lengths in the record time of 2.20 1/4 for 1 1/4 miles. It was one one-fifth seconds faster than the performance done by Silkylight.

I remembered in querying in this column about a fortnight ago whether the Russian trainer had enough time to get Burford in trim for the stamina run and there was no doubt

that the failure of the Quarter-master's candidate in the big event was short of a gallop. After a hard fight in the Hongkong Derby, Burford won another China deed in the Racing Stakes over a mile and he certainly had an easy outing to pick up \$1,000 for the owners. Apart from the easy win by six lengths, the stallion sliced two three-fifths seconds off the record time of 1.54 held by Confusion Bay since November 10. However, it is a long stretch to the Hongkong Derby of 1941, but I sincerely hope that when the time comes, the owners in general will realise the importance of having their charges here long before the run—at least two months of training at Happy Valley.

MOUNT HOPE BAY
MOUNT Hope Bay's performance in the Grand Stand Stakes over six furlongs seemed to suggest that Mr. Dunbar was more of a sprinter than a stayer. The pony annexed this event in great style, beating Mrs. Taggart's Craigavad with Mr. Encarnacao in the saddle not only by six lengths but in the record time of 1.21 1/4, which was one two-fifths seconds faster than the record established by Spiclight in the Maiden Stakes of the first day of the Annual Race Carnival. Mount Hope Bay nearly landed a coup in the Chater Cup in a scramble for the 1 1/4 mile post and he went under Spiclight, the winner, by half a length. There was plenty money on the Clere's candidate, but Mount Hope Bay would have paid handsomely if he had crossed the wire first.

After fighting hard for the first three days of the annual race meeting, Mr. B. W. Brown met with some success on Wednesday. Greiber and Racylight dead-heating for the first position in the frame in the Hopeful Stakes over the champion course, while Clembur had a comfortable win in the Griffins Consolation Stakes over a mile in 1.53 1/4 which was below Confusion Bay's old track figure of 1.54. It was a fine run.

MR. MOLLER'S SUCCESSES
IT may not be generally known that out of nine races confined to Derby griffins run on the first four days of the annual big meeting, Mr. Eric Moller captured six events, five off the reel, and the sixth was a dead-heat between Racylight and Greiber in the Hopeful Stakes. It may be of interest to know that in addition to the Lufthansa and Chater Cups, the three griffins of the Clere's stable brought in a grand total of \$9,120 (Satinlight won \$5,170, Spiclight made \$2,250 and Racylight cleared \$1,700) and I wonder whether Mr. Moller had a good race meeting. Moller's win in my opinion, very lucky to capture the Challenge Cup valued one hundred guineas, which was won outright by the Shanghai challenger and this means that the Hongkong Jockey Club will have to provide another silver trophy for next year's racing.

PROMINENT NON WINNERS
THERE are at least over three dozen griffins under the category

COMPLETE RACING SUCCESSES TO DATE



Quarter-master's Burford (H. C. Pih up) being led in by Mrs. C. B. Brown on right and Mrs. R. H. Wild on the left, after winning the Champions, beating Satinlight, the Derby winner—Mec Cheung.

Handicap Weights For Last Day Of Meeting

WEIGHTS for the handicap events of the fifth and last day of the Annual Race Meeting (to-morrow) are as follows:

GRIFFINS SPRING HANDICAP

Attacking Time (148), Blue Slides (158), Bronze Arrow (151), Care Free (151), Craigavad (168), Dingo (158), Distinctive Time (161), Dupont Bay (151), Eve of Dancing (151), Eve of Folly (158), Eve of Hunting (148), Eve of Peace (148), Eve of Reason (151), For All Time (141), Guy Star (161), Hillsboro Bay (145), Hopeful Star (151), Hughbar (151), Jane Doe (151), Johnbar (150), Kentucky (145), Laurabur (151), Little Princess (145), Lusitania (151), National Success (142), Ohio (151), Ojibway (late Egmout Bay) (161), O-Lan (158), Omaha (161), Oomph (158), Patricia (161), Resolute (162), Resisting Time (150), Ronson (148), Rose Perfect (161), Silver Wings (161), Smashing Through (151), Thirty Six (158), Victoria (150), White Diamond (157), Xenophon (151).

ICHANG HANDICAP, 1ST SEC.

Avon (146), Bear Claw (150), Blue Express (159), Conquering Time (150), English Cavalier (151), Galaxy (155), Hectic View (140), Humdrum Eve (160), Hyndford Bridge (148), King's Warden (151), Lilliber (161), Red Feather (151), Rob Roy (147), Rose Emily (146), Silver Wings (161), Smashing Through (151), Thirty Six (158), Victoria (150), White Diamond (157), Xenophon (151).

BENARBA HANDICAP

Amber II (150), Aztec (165), Colorado Star (135), Dick Turpin (135), Discovery Bay (150), Heinz (140), Macquarie River (140), Murray River (135), Perfect Day (142), Poconos (148), Sea Urchin (140), Strathcarrick (158), Tarzan (135).

of non-winners, the most conspicuous being Craigavad, Dupont Bay, all the Eve's lot, For All Time, Johnbar, Ohio, O-Lan, Silver Wings, Victoria and White Diamond and all of them have been entered for the Griffins Spring Handicap to be contested to-morrow. We are bound to see a nice field and a good race is assured. It is almost certain that a strong contingent of children will be turning out to-morrow and although they are permitted in either enclosure, they will only be admitted in the company of their parents. Attention of the public will be drawn to the fact that no animals will be allowed. Boys and girls are reminded that there are several nasty leekers among the Australian and China ponies and the stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club will not be responsible for any accidents. As a precaution it would be advisable for the parents to warn their kiddies to keep a sharp eye on all ponies that are adorned by a piece of either green, red or yellow ribbon on the tail near the dock.

WUHU HANDICAP

Arabian Cat (150), Blaisdon (140), Cuban Love (161), Diogenes (145), Dragonfly (151), Gallant Marshal (145), Gordie (151), Gog (160), Green Bay (158), Heddon (150), King's Envoy (140), Lucky Eleven (140), National Honour (140), Opening Balsman (140), Pall Mall (144), Palmer (153), Rose Day (140), Sports Venture (140), Tempest (158), Tiger Eyes (140), Tribute (140), Valorous (160).

ICHANG HANDICAP, 2ND SEC.

Blue Diamond (150), Expansion Time (151), Gladiator (140), Half-Moon Eve (161), Jennifer (157), Jober (157), Just in Time (140), New Star (153), Oak Bay (152), Peacocks View (158), Pinkathings (147), Potentate (157), Rose Fianna (150), Rose Jane (140), Taxing Master (140).

TAIPING HANDICAP, 2ND SEC.

Ascot Vale (163), Bressay (150), Desert Star (160), Ebony Idol (145), Emergency Call (148), February Fourth (155), Fel Xing (140), Good Morning (168), Lancashire Chap (143), Matador (158), Meteor (145), National Liberty (140), Popular Star (145), Portrush (163), Radium Star (143), Silver Star (140), Starlet (140), Sunshine Susie (140), Talkative (158), Tiny Tim (140), Wild Bear (140), Zero (160).

Little Dado Warned

San Francisco, Feb. 23 (UP).—The State Boxing Commission has warned Little Dado, Flyweight champion, to meet Little Pancho before March 29 or forfeit his title. Meanwhile, it has been announced that Pancho will meet Lupe Cordoza in a ten-round bout on February 26 at the Coliseum Bowl.

REGIONAL FOOTBALL

LONDON, Feb. 23 (Reuter).—Results of the regional football matches played yesterday were:

SOUTH "A"	
West Ham	4 Clapton Orient 1
SOUTH "B"	
Chelsea	4 Bournemouth 3

Mr. Moller's Gift To Charity

It is learned that Mr. E. Moller, the shipping magnate and owner of the Derby winner, Satinlight, has handed \$10,000 to Madame Sun Yat-sen for hospital fund for Chinese sick and wounded.

LISTS OF LEADING OWNERS AND JOCKEYS

FOLLOWING shows how the owners and jockeys fared during the first four days of the annual meeting:

JOCKEYS					OWNERS				
	1st	2nd	3rd	Unp.		1st	2nd	3rd	
R. B. Moller	7	1	1	—	Clive	7	1	2	
D. Black	5	4	4	21	L. Dunbar	3	3	4	
H. C. Pih	5	3	3	10	Lan	3	2	1	
P. Y. T. Wei	4	5	2	10	Lucky	3	—	3	
L. D. Chao	4	2	4	12	Eve	2	1	2	
H. J. A. Heurne	4	1	4	9	Quartermaster	2	1	—	
V. V. Needa	3	3	2	15	Marber	1	3	1	
S. C. Liang	3	1	1	12	Mrs. J. H. Taggart	1	2	—	
C. Encarnacao	2	4	5	15	Ellandee	1	2	—	
G. P. Guan	2	4	1	15	J. F. Macgregor	1	1	—	
Ip Kiu-yung	2	—	1	6	Yly	1	1	—	
B. A. Proulx	1	3	4	11	S.M.K.	1	1	—	
W. H. S. Davis	1	3	—	3	Mrs. A. E. Grasett	1	1	—	
F. Marshall	1	2	2	7	Marber	1	1	—	
S. W. Pan	1	1	2	14	Diamonds	1	—	2	
S. L. Tao	1	1	—	14	Cocou	1	—	2	
H. M. Botelho	1	1	1	13	Li Po-chun	1	—	1	
K. F. Chiu	1	—	1	1	Vilaja	1	—	1	
Tang Man-wa	1	—	2	3	Lee Bros.	1	—	1	
J. R. Sadick	1	—	1	—	J. G. Whittaker	1	—	1	
Y. T. Fung	1	—	1	1	Yick Chim	1	—	1	
M. Wood	1	—	1	4	E.S.K.	1	—	1	
V. G. Poy	1	—	1	19	Sunnyside	1	—	1	
S. Judah	1	—	1	1	Fan	1	—	1	
S. W. Cooper	1	—	1	1	Iron	1	—	1	
F. A. Sequeira	1	—	1	1	G. Treverton	1	—	1	
R. Sleep	1	—	1	1	Gredka	1	—	1	
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A. de B. Botelho	1	—	1	1	A.H.P.	1	—	1	
R. K. C. Chiu	1	—	1	1	Unicorn	1	—	1	
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G. Treverton	1	—	2	2	Tang Man-wa	1	—	2	
S. W. Tang	1	—	2	2	S. W. Lee	1	—	2	
K. W. Fung	1	—	2	2	Li Chiu-sung	1	—	2	
Yeung Wing-kwai	1	—	3	3	Mrs. Stanton	1	—	2	
C. L. Gregory	1	—	3	3	Mrs. Eu Tong-sen	1	—	2	
L. H. Howell	1	—	3	3	Dr. S. N. Chau	1	—	1	
Hu Hong-ping	1	—	8	8	Eu Tong-sen	1	—	1	
Hoo Puk-ming	1	—	12	12	S. L. K.	1	—	1	
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					John Peel	1	—	1	
					Kia Ora	1	—	1	
					Y.H.	1	—	1	
					Mrs. B. Hall	1	—	1	
					Choice	1	—	1	
					S. T. Williamson	1	—	2	
					Lady Northcote	1	—	1	
					Mrs. Dunbar	1	—	1	
					T. & E.	1	—	1	
					L.W.S.	1	—	1	
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OLD COURSE		OLD COURSE	
2.10 Major Mark, Major Giles.	2.20 J. W. Mayhew, E. R. McKee.	9.10 G. M. Park, F. N. Spence.	9.20 W. Mayhew, H. N. Williamson.
2.40 P. S. Cassidy, W. M. Barton.		9.30 J. Harrop, G. Thompson.	9.40 F. Groves, D. S. Robb.
NEW COURSE		NEW COURSE	
9.10 G. M. Park, F. N. Spence.	9.20 W. Mayhew, H. N. Williamson.	9.30 J. Harrop, G. Thompson.	9.40 F. Groves, D. S. Robb.
9.50 F. S. Hillier, D. A. Murdoch.	10.00 E. Davidson, H. W. Duley.	10.10 H. Overy, W. J. E. Mackenzie.	10.20 C. Stewart, W. Park.
10.30 M. Gordan, H. Evele.	10.40 A. E. Geronzi, A. M. Kirby.	10.50 E. Overy, W. J. E. Mackenzie.	11.00 Lieut. Carter, G. T. Harrington.
11.10 Lt. Cdr. Greenway, H. C. Watson.			

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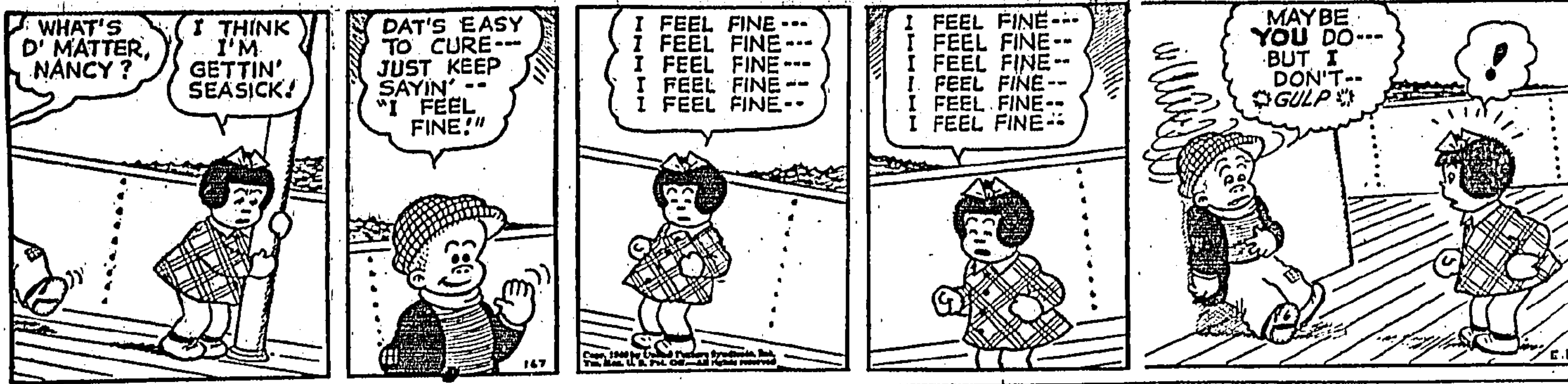


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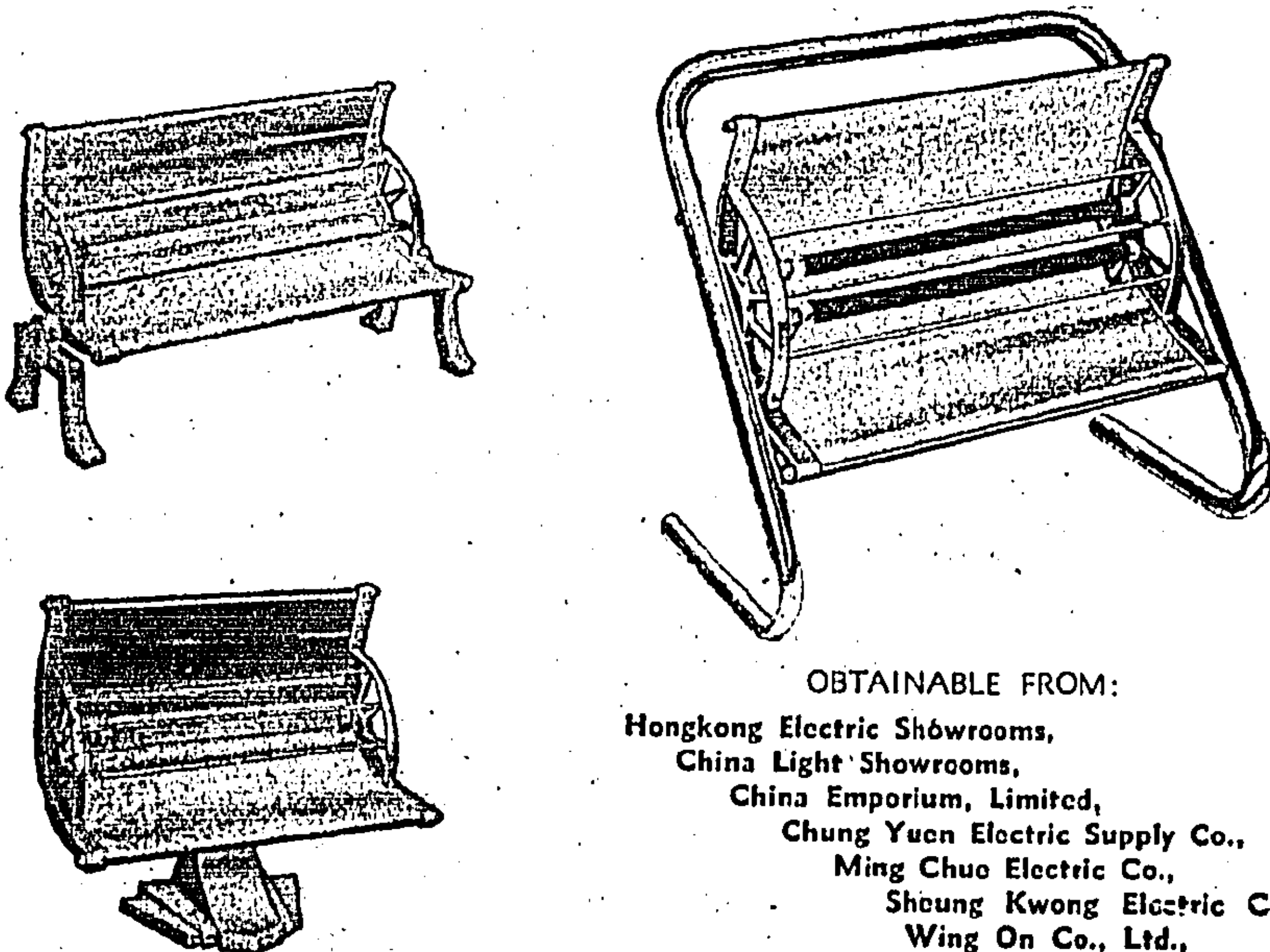
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WESTERN FRONT Heavy Gunfire By Germans

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—An official communique issued to-day says that there have been artillery actions on both sides of the front especially to the west of the Saar and the east of Blies.

There has been an increased activity of both air forces between Moselle and the Rhine and also over Alsace.

German Communique

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Feb. 22 (UP).—The Nazi High Command communique for to-day said: "In the west there were widespread air force reconnaissance flights over western France. Despite the enemy defences, German patrol planes suffered no losses. An attempt by enemy planes to enter Germany across the west front failed."

The official D.N.B. report says: "Enemy artillery fire which, at times, was intense was reported from the usual sectors on the western front."

"Among other points, Schneeburg and territory north of Spichern were the objects of enemy artillery fire. German artillery put enemy positions and batteries east of Moselle under heavy fire."

"In the vicinity of Duerenberg a German patrol repulsed a much stronger enemy patrol and inflicted heavy losses. On the upper Rhine, the day passed quietly with the exception of brief local exchanges of fire in the Aeltersheim Bend."

"German aircraft continue reconnaissance flights, particularly over eastern France. French aircraft defence fired frequently but were not able to halt the German planes. German anti-aircraft fire prevented enemy planes from flying over several points on the western front."

Tournament Draw For 1939-40

(Continued from Page 3.)

Games, each 15 points up.
The draw for the championships follows:

MEN'S SINGLES (SENIOR)
C. Au and D. Kwok, bye; H. B. Teoh v. P. S. Bun; W. T. Ho v. H. Eardley (top half); K. L. Yong v. H. M. Lau; S. C. Chung v. H. F. Chew; C. K. Cheah and P. Wong, bye (bottom half).

MEN'S SINGLES (JUNIOR)
T. S. Young and J. Clark, bye; K. L. Lui v. A. Ho; N. Smith v. P. Lo (top half); J. L. Anderson v. W. Gillies; J. Tsang, P. Wynter-Blyth and A. L. Fisher, bye (bottom half).

MEN'S DOUBLES
M. S. Lim and P. S. Bun, bye; J. J. Remedios and L. A. Carvalho v. H. Eardley and N. Smith; C. K. Cheah and T. T. Chin v. F. H. Kwok and D. Kwok; C. Au and P. H. Wong v. K. L. Yong and H. F. Chew (top half); R. Marquis and H. F. Goncalves v. H. M. Lau and S. C. Chung; H. T. Woo and K. L. Lui v. F. Koh and C. Y. Yung; A. L. Fisher and P. Wynter-Blyth, bye; M. A. Silva and M. A. Oliveira, bye (bottom half).

MIXED DOUBLES
M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva, bye; T. T. Chin and Miss M. T. Ding, bye; J. Clark and Mrs. Beattie, bye; L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro v. K. L. Yong and Miss H. Khoo (top half); J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro, bye; P. H. Wong and Miss W. Cheung, bye; D. Kwok and Mrs. P. Wilson, bye; H. Eardley and Miss D. Eardley, bye (bottom half).

Recreio "A" Beat K.C.C.
Recreio "A" defeated the Kowloon C.C. in a Mixed Doubles League match by nine sets to nil last night. Scores:

J. L. Anderson and Miss B. Harker (K.C.C.) lost to M. A. Oliveira and Miss Silva 12-21; lost to J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro 6-21; lost to L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro 13-21.
A. L. Fisher and Miss M. Stokes (K.C.C.) lost to Oliveira and Miss Silva 12-21; lost to Remedios and Miss Ribeiro 13-21; lost to Carvalho and Miss Ribeiro 14-21.
T. Kevan and Miss B. Parsons (K.C.C.) lost to Oliveira and Miss Silva 10-21; lost to Remedios and Miss Ribeiro 12-21; lost to Carvalho and Miss Ribeiro 3-21.

CITY COLLISION

A private motor car, owned and driven by a Chinese, was in collision with a tram on a track of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank shortly before nine o'clock this morning. The car was slightly damaged but no one was hurt. Traffic, however, was held up for a few minutes.

To Fight At Own Risk Premier And Volunteers For Finland

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, replying to questions on voluntary aid for Finland, said that he understood that terms of service for British subjects who had volunteered for service in an international force operating in Finland, had been arranged between the Finnish Air Bureau and the Finnish Government.

Labour M.P.'s Criticism

Mr. MacGovern (Independent Labour) asked whether it was not unjust and a great contradiction that volunteers who might be wounded or killed should be refused pensions when the League of Nations was prepared to give Finland assistance and the British Government was giving arms and permission to the volunteers to go.

Mr. Chamberlain said that the terms of service were properly arranged between those making arrangements for enlistment in Britain and the Finnish Government.

Questioned further on the matter of pensions, the Prime Minister declared: "They are volunteers and it is not a matter with which we are concerned."

Britons May Fight In Finland

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Sir John Anderson, the Home Secretary, stated to-day that no difficulties would be placed in the way of British subjects who desired to serve in Finland if they were volunteers approved by the Finnish Aid Bureau.

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The time interval will be after the fourth race on the first four days of the Meeting.

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Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27784) WILL CLOSE AT 10.00 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 12.00 NOON ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box, (Tel. 21920).

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting. No animals will be allowed on the Fifth Day.

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The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

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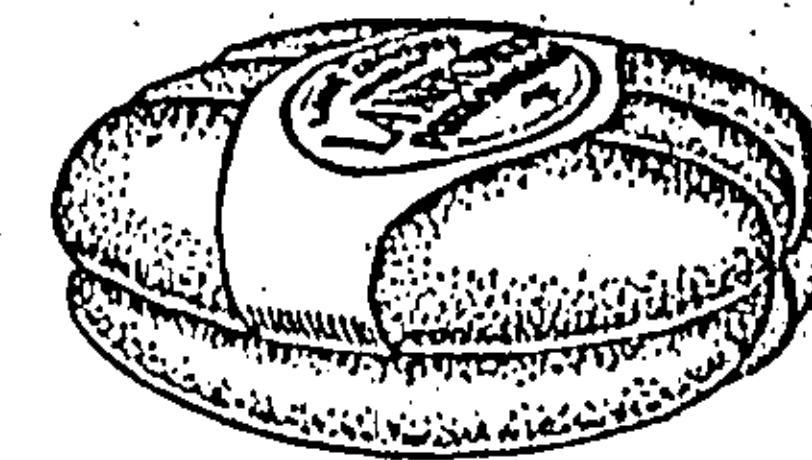
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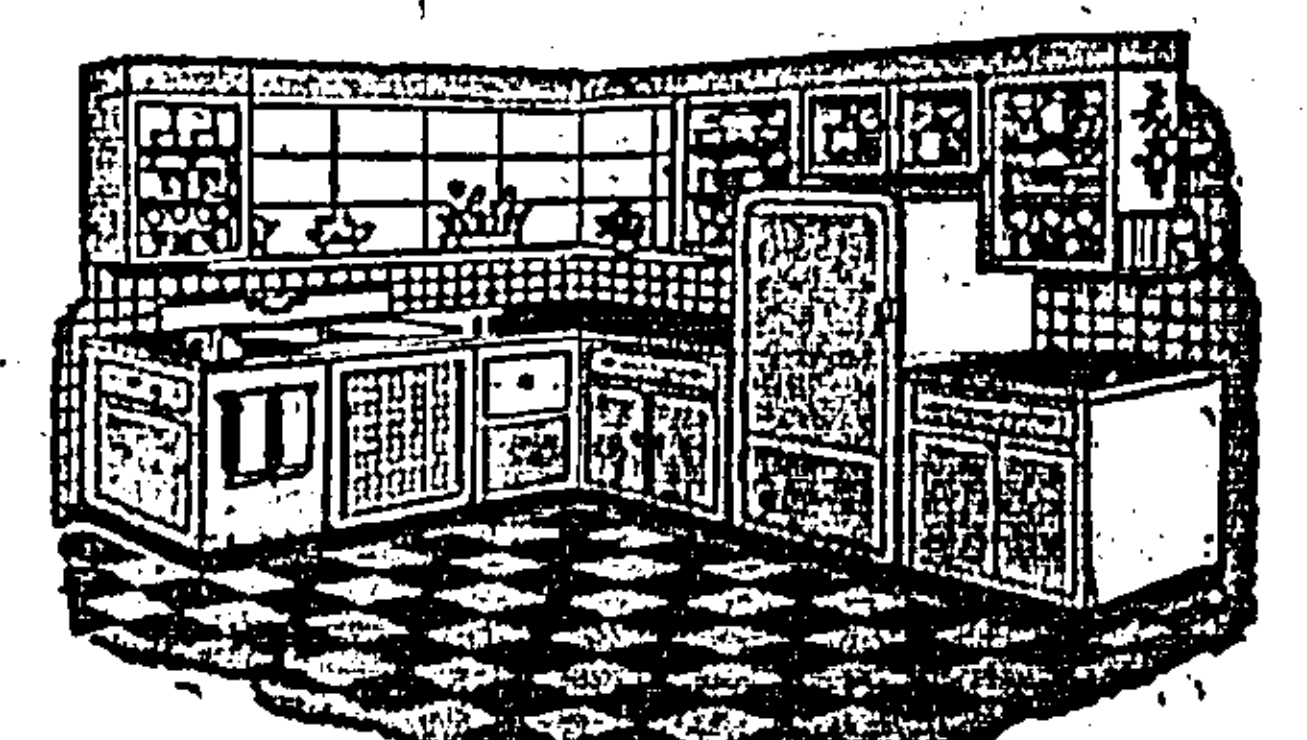


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"Sunday Times" War Correspondent with the French Army

Between Belfort, the fortress that guards the famous gap between the Vosges and the Jura, and Mulhouse, in Alsace, there are still to be seen relics of the last war—battered pill boxes and the like.

In 1910 Belfort gloriously withstood the German assault, but to travel over this ground is to realize even more vividly than the maps tell you how uncomfortably close the frontiers of the peace of 1871 brought the Germans to this gateway to the interior of France when in 1914 it had again to be defended. The "Belfort Gap" is, geographically speaking, what it always was, but, militarily speaking, how comfortable is the position as established by the peace of 1919!

Belfort, the much tried and the much besieged, can survey the new war with a lordly sense of security. The functions of the mountains to left and right serve the fortress as they have always done; but the eastern line of defence is now hung far forward. It is the Rhine, and the Rhine today is a barrier against the invader such as it has never been from the dawn of time.

A War of Toil

An invitation from the Army which guards this front afforded an opportunity of seeing in much detail the fortified lines and of appraising the spirit of the men who have done in the last few months what put it in general terms, made assurance doubly and trebly sure. It has been a war not of fighting but of incessant laborious toil.

Nothing more different from 1914 is conceivable, and it would falsify the picture not to mention that one has fairly often heard sighs for the opportunity of winning glory in the front. It is a dull war, by comparison the front in Lorraine and in the Northern Vosges is adventurous. But this war, which for the rank and file consists so largely of sheer navvying, has revealed in the French soldier a prodigious capacity for dogged work. What he has here accomplished in these uneventful and tedious months amount roughly to this—while a German invasion of Alsace in September would have been hazardous, it would now appear to be hazardous to a higher degree of improbability. Not that the smallest measure of probability is ruled out by the French Command.

This was interestingly demonstrated to the visitor in an excursion to the friendly frontier of Switzerland. Less celebrated than the Belfort Gap, there is a secondary gap, near Swiss territory. There were indications in November that the Germans were disposed to contemplate the venture in the north-west corner of Switzerland. If the charming scenery in this gap had really induced them to pay that pastoral land a visit they would not have taken the French by surprise. It would have been an adventure entailing far more than ordinary mountaineering risks; and a large number of industrious Frenchmen are engaged in rendering any such excursion less and less attractive on each month goes by.

Becoming More French

There is in Alsace an interesting side aspect of the war. It raises the question—will not Alsace in the future be more French than ever before? In peacetime one always had a feeling there of a little country of independent character. But to-day a broad strip of Alsace along the river has been evacuated. The inhabitants have taken refuge in the interior of France. The younger people at least must be losing their accent and becoming more "Frenchified," while the immense number of French troops quartered in the non-evacuated towns and villages of the country must also as time goes on, make for Franco-Alsatian unification.

The local newspapers are published in German, and in such a town as Colmar one has the feeling of being in Switzerland. But the people have welcomed the troops wholeheartedly; while the Alsatians' contribution to the ranks of the French Army is very appreciable.

Censorship Infuriates U.S. Criticism Of British Methods

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Several Senators made statements to-day criticising Britain's "insistence" on censoring United States mails to Bermuda.

Senator Truman proposed that United States planes should cease visiting Bermuda and that British planes be barred from landing in the United States.

Senator Clark, of Missouri, declared that the latest disclosures of censorship "only strengthen my view that we should prohibit our planes from landing at Bermuda."

"High-Handed Procedure"

Senator Pittman, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, declared that Britain had made "excessive and very foolish use" of her right as a belligerent to censor American mail. He said that there was no doubt that Britain had the right to examine for contraband all mail aboard the Clipper.

Senator Clark, attacking "the high-handed procedure," secured the unanimous consent of the Senate for insertion in the records of the Bermuda incident.

Meanwhile, according to a Bermuda despatch, British officials there describe as utter nonsense the report that armed marines boarded the Clipper in order to enforce the removal of mail for censorship.

2,600 lbs. Seized

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" NEW YORK, Feb. 22 (UP).—It is learned that British Marines seized 2,600 pounds of Clipper mail at Bermuda on January 18.

The Pan American Air Lines have turned over the whole question of British censorship of United States mails to the State Department. Newspapers feature sensational versions of the incident. One report states that the Captain of the Clipper, Capt. Charles A. Lorber, refused to permit examination of the mail and ordered the censors off the Clipper after a heated argument.

The latter signalled a party of Marines in a nearby launch who, with bayonets affixed to their rifles, boarded the Clipper. Captain Lorber then submitted to the seizure and demanded receipt. He then wrote a formal protest to the British Consul.

London View

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, Feb. 22 (UP).—It is officially stated that there is no knowledge of reports that British Marines, at bayonet point, seized United States Clipper mail at Bermuda on January 18.

The Foreign Office spokesman states that there are no reports of such an incident. No protests have been received from the United States.

Chief Censor's Views

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BERMUDA, Feb. 22 (UP).—Speaking with governmental authority, the Chief Censor, Lieutenant Colonel R. Swire, said that newspaper versions of the Clipper incident were "utter nonsense."

The request to hand over the mail was made to the Captain of the Clipper by an unnamed officer ashore at the air base and there were no armed men in the vicinity.

"Captain Lorber made a formal protest, as he was duty-bound to do, but thereafter he put no obstacle in the way of the censorship officials who waited while the protest was put into writing before boarding the plane."

He added that the relations between the censorship officials and the officials of the Pan Air Lines has always been "most harmonious."

Britain Replies

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Britain has replied to American representations on the censorship of U.S. mails, stating that it is unable to limit the rights to prevent currency, etc., from reaching Germany, whatever its source.

SHORTAGE OF COAL

Situation In Shanghai Becomes Serious

Shanghai, Feb. 22. Owing mainly to the diverting of supplies to Japan, Shanghai is to-day facing the most acute shortage of coal in its history, and coal prices are rapidly soaring to threaten the record figure of \$350 a ton reached during the Great War. The present price is \$220 a ton, compared with \$15 in the summer of 1937, just before the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

Causes responsible for the tremendous increases in prices are said to include:

1. Diverting to Japan, because of the shortage there, of Shantung and Keelung (Formosa) coal, which was used to meet about 20 per cent. of Shanghai's needs;
2. Mounting freight charges as the number of bottoms available for shipments of coal to Shanghai decrease;
3. Shortage of coal in India, whose production has been diverted to Europe to supply the requirements of the Allies;
4. Phenomenal declines in the exchange value of the Chinese Dollar—Reuter.

HERTZOG FACES BAD DEFEAT

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—In the South-West Africa elections, the Nationalist Party, which is pro-Hertzog and is supported by Germans in South-West Africa, is being badly defeated.

So far the United Party has won ten elected seats and the Nationalist Party only one.

There is still one outstanding result.

74,500 REFUGEES IN ENGLAND

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—It is officially estimated that 74,500 refugees from Germany, Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland are now in the United Kingdom, stated Mr. R. A. Butler, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in a written reply to a question put forward in the House of Commons.

He added that it is unofficially estimated that there are about 42,000 such refugees in France, 20,000 in Belgium and 23,000 in the Netherlands.

K.C.C. PRIZE PRESENTATION

The annual presentation of prizes at the Kowloon Cricket Club will be held on Saturday, March 9, at 9.15 p.m.

The prizes will be given away by Mrs. R. E. Lindell, and during the evening, a musical extravaganza will be produced entitled "A Barrel of Fun"—in two Hottisheads.

All members and their lady friends are invited.

Japan's Mammoth Budget

TOKYO, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The Lower House at a plenary session to-day unanimously passed bills for the budget approximating Yen 10,300,000,000 for the coming financial year which dates from April 1. The bills were passed without amendment.

The budget now goes to the House of Peers where the examination of the various bills will command the attention of the nation, which so far had been concentrated on the budget interpretation in the Lower House.

100 Britons Interned In Germany

ABOUT 100 British subjects and 100 French citizens are interned in Germany, authorized German sources declare.

Several thousand other enemy subjects continue to live in German territory as before the war, reporting to the police once a week.

Castle Wueizburg, near Nuremberg, has been assigned as a home for the interned persons.

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